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1                   **[THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DID NOT MEET IN**  
2                   **CLOSED SESSION TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2008.]**

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6   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THE MEETING WILL NOW COME TO ORDER. THIS  
7 MORNING THE INVOCATION WILL BE BY FATHER CESAR FERNANDEZ FROM  
8 OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT  
9 AND THE PLEDGE BY ROBERT SAXON. HE'S THE CHIEF OF THE VETERAN  
10 SERVICE DIVISION. WILL YOU PLEASE STAND? FATHER FERNANDEZ?

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12 **FR. CESAR FERNANDEZ:** IN YOU, LORD OUR GOD, ALL THINGS HAVE A  
13 BEGINNING, CONTINUATION AND END. GRACE US WITH YOUR SAVING  
14 PRESENCE. AID US WITH YOUR CONSTANT HELP. AND LET US GLORIFY  
15 YOU NOW AND FOREVER. MAKE US, STRENGTHEN US, AND BRING OUR  
16 WORK TO COMPLETION. MAY HOPE ACCOMPANY OF OUR JOURNEY THROUGH  
17 THE DAYS TO COME. MAY GOD'S ABIDING PRESENCE WITH US. ALL: THE  
18 DAYS OF OUR LIVES. AMEN.

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20 **ROBERT SAXON:** PLEASE FOLLOW ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.  
21 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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23 **ROBERT SAXON:** THANK YOU.  
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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IF YOU'LL WAIT A MOMENT, SUPERVISOR MOLINA  
2 WILL BE HERE SHORTLY AND WE'LL JUST DO THE AGENDA AND SHE'LL  
3 BE HERE.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE  
6 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE  
7 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D  
8 THROUGH 3-D.

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10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.  
11 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING  
14 AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H.

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE.  
17 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK  
20 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEMS 1-P THROUGH 4-P.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.  
23 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6. ON  
2 ITEM NUMBER 1, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT HIS  
3 APPOINTMENT VASKIN YODERMAN TO THE GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
4 VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 20TH,  
5 2008. AND ALSO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE REQUESTS THAT THE  
6 APPOINTMENT OF RONNIE SNIDER TO THE COMMISSION ON H.I.V. BE  
7 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 20TH, 2008. THERE IS ALSO A REQUEST  
8 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND I  
9 APOLOGIZE, MADAME CHAIR, ON SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S REQUEST,  
10 HE WOULD ACTUALLY LIKE THIS REFERRED BACK INSTEAD OF  
11 CONTINUED.

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT ITEM WILL BE--

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WOULD LIKE TO  
16 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** BEFORE IT'S REFERRED BACK, WE'LL HOLD ITEM  
19 1.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEMS 2 THROUGH 6 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE;  
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 7 THROUGH 58, ON  
2 ITEM 7, 8 AND 9, WE WILL NEED TO HOLD THESE ITEMS SINCE THEY  
3 ARE FOR VOTE MATTERS.

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5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WOULD YOU HOLD 11, ALSO?

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 11, WE WILL HOLD THAT. ON ITEM  
8 NUMBER 12, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.  
9 ON ITEM NUMBER 14, THIS IS ALSO A FOUR-VOTE MATTER AND WE WILL  
10 NEED TO HOLD THIS. ON ITEM NUMBER 17, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
11 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 21, AS  
12 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
13 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 20TH,  
14 2008.

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, 21 WILL BE CONTINUED FOR  
17 ONE WEEK.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER. 31, WE WILL ALSO NEED TO  
20 HOLD THIS, SINCE IT'S A FOUR-VOTE MATTER. ON ITEM NUMBER. 33,  
21 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM  
22 NUMBER. 53, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF  
23 HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED THREE  
24 WEEKS TO WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4TH, 2008.

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1    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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3    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 54, THIS ALSO INCLUDES  
4    SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S RECOMMENDATION, AS INDICATED ON THE  
5    SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS ON THE CONSENT  
6    CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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8    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY;  
9    WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE ARE NOW ON PAGE 33, ORDINANCE FOR  
12    INTRODUCTION. AND ON ITEM 59, I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR  
13    THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 5, PERSONNEL  
14    OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE MERGER OF THE  
15    401(K) SAVINGS PLAN AND 401(K) DEFERRED EARNINGS PLAN.

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17    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE.  
18    WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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20    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SEPARATE MATTER, ITEM 16. I'LL READ THE  
21    SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS THE TREASURER AND TAX  
22    COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE  
23    ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE 2008 AND 2009 TAX AND REVENUE  
24    ANTICIPATION NOTE IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED  
25    1 BILLION.





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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE; SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY,  
3 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** \$1 BILLION. [LAUGHTER.]

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7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PESOS.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIRD DISTRICT DISCRETIONARY DOLLARS.

10 [LAUGHTER.]

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM 61, WE WILL HOLD FOR  
13 A PUBLIC HEARING. MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH  
14 WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS  
15 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM 62-A.

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE;  
18 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 62-B.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY;  
23 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.  
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL  
3 DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

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5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE HAVE L.A. COUNTY SUPER STARS THIS WEEK.  
6 AND IT'S MY PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE OUR 2007 L.A. COUNTY SUPER  
7 STARS IN THE CATEGORY OF SERVICE EXCELLENCE, PLEASE WELCOME  
8 SANDY DININGER FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION. AS  
9 SUPERINTENDENT FOR VASQUEZ ROCKS NATURAL AREA, MRS. DININGER'S  
10 MANY CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE COUNTY MAKE HER  
11 THE IDEAL L.A. COUNTY SUPERSTAR. SHE IMPLEMENTED A JUNIOR  
12 RANGER PROGRAM THAT ENGAGES CHILDREN IN HANDS-ON LEARNING  
13 ABOUT FLORA, FAUNA, NATURAL AREA ECOSYSTEMS, AND OUTDOOR  
14 \_\_\_\_\_. MISS DININGER WORKS CLOSELY WITH A TEAM OF STAFF  
15 AND VOLUNTEERS, WHO ALSO PROVIDE SPECIALIZED HIKEs FOR SCHOOL  
16 CHILDREN. THE ENTHUSIASM AND ENERGY WHICH SHE LEADS THE JUNIOR  
17 RANGER PROGRAM AND THE FACT THAT MANY CHILDREN VISIT THIS  
18 FACILITY HAVE NEVER BEEN OUT OF THE INNER CITY HAS RESULTED IN  
19 UNIQUE EXPERIENCES FOR THE CHILDREN. THEY HAVE BECOME  
20 GENUINELY EXCITED ABOUT THE OUTDOORS, LEARNING AND RESPECTING  
21 THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF THE AREA. THROUGHOUT MISS DININGER'S  
22 MANY YEARS OF OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE AND HER WORK ON  
23 BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT, SHE HAS DISPLAYED TALENT,  
24 PERSEVERANCE , PATIENCE AND A FRIENDLY AND WELCOMING NATURE.



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1 CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. [APPLAUSE.] SHE ALREADY HAS HER  
2 SCROLL. AND I THINK THAT HE WANTS TO SAY A WORD.

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4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SANDY WAS UP HERE NOT TOO LONG  
5 AGO AS A STAR OF THE YEAR. AND WE KNEW SHE'D BE BACK AS A  
6 SUPERSTAR. THE SUPERVISOR MENTIONED THE MANY PROGRAMS SHE'S  
7 INVOLVED IN. SHE'S JUST TREMENDOUS WITH OUR KIDS. SHE'S REALLY  
8 GREAT IN HELPING THEM UNDERSTAND NATURE AND RELATE TO THE  
9 GREAT BIG WORLD THAT'S OUT THERE THAT MANY OF THEM NEVER GET A  
10 CHANCE TO SEE. SO WE REALLY APPRECIATE AND LOVE SANDY. SHE'S A  
11 TREMENDOUS ASSET FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.]

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE IS GOING TO MAKE A  
14 PRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
17 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO ONCE AGAIN THANK  
18 YOU, THANK FATHER CESAR FERNANDEZ, WHO LEADS A CONGREGATION OF  
19 OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE EAST LOS ANGELES  
20 AREA. HE WAS RAISED IN THE SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES AREA,  
21 RECEIVED HIS ORDINATION FROM ST. JOHN SEMINARY AND PREVIOUSLY  
22 SERVED AT ST. LOUIS OF FRANCE CHURCH LA PUENTE. FATHER  
23 FERNANDEZ OVERSEES MANY WORTHY CHURCH EFFORTS, INCLUDING A  
24 SOCIAL SERVICE OFFICE THAT HELPS LOCAL FAMILIES IN EMERGENCY  
25 FINANCIAL CRISIS TIMES, AS WELL AS A SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY



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1 WHICH AIDS FAMILIES IN DEALING WITH CRITICAL ISSUES INVOLVING  
2 GANGS AND CRIME. SO WE WANT TO THANK FATHER FERNANDEZ FOR  
3 TAKING TIME TO COME DOWN HERE AND LEAD US IN A WONDERFUL  
4 INVOCATION.

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA WILL STEP FORWARD AND  
7 JOIN YOU. [LAUGHTER.]

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU, DON. I APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU SO  
10 MUCH FOR JOINING US

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU'RE ENTITLED TO A PICTURE, TOO, THOUGH,  
13 DON. GET IN THERE. GET THE PICTURE OF THE THREE OF YOU.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU FOR DOING THIS.

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD DR. BRUCE CHERNOF,  
18 DIRECTOR OF L.A. COUNTY OF HEALTH SERVICES AND NURSE HONOR  
19 REEVES, LESLIE GOOD. AND SHE IS FROM HARBOR U.C.L.A., B.S.M.  
20 FROM HARBOR U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER OPERATING ROOM.

21 [APPLAUSE.] HERE IS DR. CHERNOF. LATASHA NEAL OF HUBERT  
22 HUMPHREY COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER. [APPLAUSE.]

23 CONGRATULATIONS. EACH YEAR WE HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZING

24 OUTSTANDING NURSES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WHO ARE NOMINATED AS

25 OUTSTANDING NURSE OF THE YEAR BY THEIR COLLEAGUES, NURSING



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1 STAFF, PHYSICIANS, PATIENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS. THOSE THAT  
2 KNOW THEM BEST. THE SELECTION PROCESS INCLUDES: SUBMISSION OF  
3 PAPERWORK THAT MAY ALSO INCLUDE A CASE STUDY, AN INTERVIEW AT  
4 MOST OF THE FACILITIES. I'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE NURSE  
5 SELECTED FROM FACILITIES IN MY DISTRICT FIRST, WHICH YOU HAVE  
6 JUST SEEN. LATASHA IS A REGISTERED NURSE AND WHO ATTENDED LOS  
7 ANGELES DRAKE TECHNICAL COLLEGE WHERE SHE COMPLETED HER L.V.N.  
8 AND LATER RETURNED TO COMPLETE HER R.N. PROGRAM GRADUATING  
9 WITH AN A.S. DEGREE IN NURSING. IN JANUARY 2004, SHE ACCEPTED  
10 A POSITION AS ASSISTANT-- COME BACK UP, LATASHA. SHE ACCEPTED  
11 A POSITION AS ASSISTANT CHARGE NURSE ON THE MEDICAL SURGICAL  
12 UNIT AT KING-DREW MEDICAL CENTER. IN JULY 2005, SHE  
13 TRANSFERRED TO THE ADULT CLINIC AND AT HUBERT H. HUMPHREY  
14 COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER. SHE SERVED AS A TEAM LEADER FOR  
15 THE YEARS 2006 AND 2008. SHE CURRENTLY ORIENTATES NEW STAFF  
16 AND PRECEPTS NURSING STUDENTS. SHE ALWAYS WANTED A CAREER  
17 WHERE SHE COULD HELP PEOPLE. WHERE HER FIRST NIECE WAS BORN  
18 WITH A CONGENITAL HEART DEFECT, SHE KNEW NURSING WAS A CAREER  
19 OF HER CHOICE. CONGRATULATIONS. I'M GOING TO CALL LESLIE GOOD  
20 BACK UP HERE. WHERE IS SHE? LESLIE GOOD, R. N, B.N.S., STARTED  
21 HER CAREER AT HARBOR U.C.L.A. IN 1988, IN THE OPERATING ROOM  
22 AND MOST RECENTLY VOLUNTEER TO CROSS-TRAIN THE OUTPATIENT  
23 SURGERY STAGING AREA. WHILE A STUDENT ATTENDING THE MOUNT ST.  
24 MARY COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAM, SHE ENJOYED HER ADVANCED MEDICAL  
25 SURGICAL CLINICAL ROTATION AT HARBOR U.C.L.A. SO MUCH THAT SHE



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1 DID NOT HESITATE TO LATER ACCEPT A POSITION AT THE FACILITY.  
2 HER PEERS PROVIDE HER AS-- THEY HAVE GREAT PRIDE IN YOU-- AS A  
3 VERY FLEXIBLE AND CARING PERSON WHO IS VERY ENCOURAGING AND AN  
4 EXCEPTIONAL ROLE MODEL. WE'RE ALWAYS VERY PROUD OF THE PEOPLE  
5 FROM HARBOR. AND SHE RECEIVES PERSONAL SATISFACTION FROM BEING  
6 ABLE TO TEACH NEW EMPLOYEES AND STUDENT NURSES.

7 CONGRATULATIONS, LESLIE. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU  
8 HAVE YOUR NURSES?

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S MY HONOR THIS MORNING TO MAKE SOME  
11 PRESENTATIONS TO SOME OF THE NURSES THAT RECEIVED OUTSTANDING  
12 RECOGNITION. IS THIS ON? I CAN'T TELL. YES, IT IS. GOOD  
13 ENOUGH. FIRST OF ALL LET ME INTRODUCE CESAR ACENON. IS HE  
14 HERE? COMING FROM THE OTHER SIDE. CESAR WELCOME. CESAR BEGAN  
15 HIS COUNTY NURSING CAREER IN 1998 AS A LICENSED VOCATIONAL  
16 NURSE IN OUR CENTRAL HEALTH CENTER AND HE'S PASSIONATE ABOUT  
17 HELPING THE UNDERSERVED POPULATION. WHILE WORKING AT THE  
18 CENTRAL HEALTH CENTER, CESAR DECIDED TO CONTINUE HIS NURSING  
19 EDUCATION AND HE OBTAINED HIS R.N. DEGREE. CESAR'S STRONG  
20 CLINICAL AND CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS HAVE LED HIM TO AN  
21 ASSIGNMENT IN HIS CURRENT POSITION AS A CLINIC MANAGER FOR THE  
22 SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE CLINIC AT THE CENTRAL HEALTH  
23 CENTER. IN HIS ROLE, CESAR IS INSTRUMENTAL IN IMPROVING  
24 TEAMWORK, INCREASING COLLABORATION AND FACILITATING A STAFF  
25 TRAINING MANUAL. CONGRATULATIONS, CESAR, A JOB WELL DONE.





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1 [APPLAUSE.] NEXT WE HAVE PATRICK. PATRICK KERRAHER, I HOPE  
2 THAT'S CORRECT. HE'S BEEN AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. HE'S BEEN WITH  
3 US FOR 17 YEARS. HE GRADUATED FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY SCHOOL  
4 OF NURSING IN 1991 AND BEGAN HIS NURSING CAREER IN THE GENERAL  
5 HOSPITAL CARDIOLOGY UNIT. HE TRANSFERRED TO THE INPATIENT  
6 H.I.V. UNIT, MOVED ON TO THE RAN TRADER [PH?] H.I.V./A.I.D.S.  
7 CLINIC AND HE'S A MEMBER OF THE DISASTER ASSISTANCE TEAM.  
8 PATRICK HAS STATED, "TO WORK WITH H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. PATIENTS  
9 IS A CALLING." HE IS AN EXEMPLARY NURSE WHO ENCOURAGES STAFF  
10 MORALE AND CAMARADERIE TRULY CARES ABOUT EVERY SINGLE PATIENT  
11 HE TAKES CARE OF. MR. KERRAHER DEMONSTRATES EXCELLENT CRITICAL  
12 THINKING SKILLS. HE POSSESSES A VAST EXPERIENCE IN NURSING AND  
13 EMERGENCY RESPONSE CAPABILITIES. AND HE IS TRULY A SENSITIVE  
14 AND CARING AND COMPASSIONATE NURSE. MR. KERRAHER ENJOYS  
15 CAMPING AND KAYAKING AND HE PLANS TO RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR A  
16 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN NURSING. CONGRATULATIONS, SIR.  
17 THANK YOU SO MUCH. NEXT I HAVE LORRAINE SISNETO [PH?]. SHE IS  
18 ALSO A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE. SHE'S BEEN WITH THE COUNTY FOR  
19 THREE YEARS. LORRAINE BEGAN HER NURSING CAREER IN 2005 AS A  
20 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE IN ACUTE COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL  
21 DIVISION. HER PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING CAREER IS INFLUENCED BY  
22 THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY HEALTH, THE PREVENTION OF DISEASE,  
23 AND THE DEDICATION AND GENUINE CONCERN FOR THE COMMUNITY  
24 DISPLAYED BY ALL OF OUR PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. LORRAINE  
25 POSSESSES EXCELLENT LEADERSHIP SKILLS. SHE EXHIBITS GREAT



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1 COMPASSION, MAINTAINS VERY HIGH STANDARDS AND ENCOURAGES HER  
2 TEAM MEMBERS TO MAINTAIN THESE HIGH STANDARDS, AS WELL. SHE  
3 STRIVES TO IMPROVE, PROTECT AND PROMOTE HEALTH AND SAFETY AND  
4 WELFARE OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH. WE APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK THAT  
5 YOU DO. THANK YOU SO MUCH AND CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]  
6 FINALLY, OUR FINAL NURSE IS NOT HERE, AS I UNDERSTAND. AND  
7 THAT'S BARBARA ANGELES, WASN'T ABLE TO MAKE IT TODAY. SO BUT I  
8 WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU. SHE RECEIVED HER NURSING DEGREE IN  
9 2002 FROM MOUNT ST. MARY'S. SHE BEGAN AT GENERAL HOSPITAL'S  
10 EMERGENCY ROOM IN THE MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT IN THE E.R.  
11 AND DIRECTS PARAMEDICS IN THE FIELD. SHE'S AN EFFECTIVE AND  
12 COMPASSIONATE PATIENT ADVOCATE. SHE STATES THAT, "NURSES  
13 SHOULD DELIVER SUCH A HIGH QUALITY OF CARE THAT THEIR  
14 COWORKERS WOULD LIKE THEM TO CARE FOR THEIR VERY OWN SICK  
15 LOVED ONES." IN HER FREE TIME, MISS ANGELES ENJOYS TRAVELING,  
16 SNOWBOARDING AND SURFING. SO WE WANT TO PRESENT A SCROLL IN  
17 ABSENTIA BUT WE THANK HER AND CONGRATULATE HER, AS WELL.  
18 [APPLAUSE.]

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THIRD DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. MY FIRST HONOREE  
23 FOR OUTSTANDING NURSE OF THE YEAR IS TONY GUILLAN. TONY'S  
24 NURSING CAREER STARTED AT RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL  
25 REHABILITATION CENTER IN 2002 AS A SENIOR STUDENT NURSE WORKER



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1 WHERE HIS KEEN OBSERVATIONAL SKILLS AND QUALITY NURSING CARE  
2 BECAME APPARENT. HE WORKED WITH SPINAL CORD INJURED PATIENTS  
3 ON UNITS 3 NORTH AND 3 SOUTH AT THAT TIME. TONY FINISHED HIS  
4 R.N. EDUCATION AT EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE AND GRADUATED IN  
5 JUNE OF 2003 WITH AN A.A. DEGREE IN NURSING. HE BEGAN HIS  
6 REGISTERED NURSING CAREER AT THAT TIME, REMAINING ON J.P.I. 3  
7 NORTH AND RECEIVED MANY STAR CARDS FOR HIS EXCELLENT CARING OF  
8 SERVICE TO OUR PATIENTS. IN 2005, TONY TRANSFERRED TO THE  
9 AMBULATORY CARE DEPARTMENT AT RANCH, WHERE HE IS MAKING A  
10 POSITIVE IMPACT ON PATIENT CARE. HE IS A TEAM MEMBER IN THE  
11 PATIENT VISIT REDESIGN PROJECT, WHICH HAS SUCCESSFULLY REDUCED  
12 CLINIC PATIENT WAIT TIMES. HE WAS RECENTLY SELECTED TO  
13 PARTICIPATE IN THE LEADERS LEARNERS PROGRAM AT RANCHO BECAUSE  
14 OF HIS LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL AND HIS ABILITIES. TONY DEFINITELY  
15 HAS A BRIGHT FUTURE AND RANCHO IS VERY PROUD OF HIM. TONY  
16 GUILLAN. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT IS SOLEDAD MARTINEZ. MISS MARTINEZ  
17 HAS BEEN WORKING FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
18 SERVICES SINCE 1983. SHE STARTED WORKING AS A NURSING  
19 ATTENDANT IN JANUARY OF '83. IN 1985 SHE WAS PROMOTED TO UNIT  
20 CLERK. THEN IN 1994 SHE CHALLENGED THE L.V.N. BOARD AND WORKED  
21 AS AN L.V.N. UNTIL 1998. SHE HAS DEMONSTRATED INITIATIVE AND  
22 PERSEVERANCE TO ATTEND SCHOOL TO BECOME AN R.N. WHILE WORKING  
23 FULL-TIME, AND MAINTAINING A HOME AND FAMILY. SINCE MISS  
24 MARTINEZ WAS A CHILD, SHE ALWAYS ASPIRED TO BE A NURSE. SHE  
25 GRADUATED AS A NURSING ATTENDANT IN 1991 FROM L.A. COUNTY



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1 U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER THROUGH THE R.O.P. PROGRAM IN HIGH  
2 SCHOOL. SHE GRADUATED WITH AN A.A. DEGREE IN NURSING FROM  
3 CERRITOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE. SHE RECEIVED HER BACHELOR'S IN  
4 SCIENCE DEGREE IN NURSING FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX IN  
5 2007. SOLEDAD IS WELL INTEGRATED, CULTURALLY SENSITIVE AND  
6 ALWAYS PROFESSIONAL IN PATIENT AND PEER RELATIONSHIPS. SHE HAS  
7 AN EXCELLENT WORK ETHIC, AS DEMONSTRATED BY THE QUALITY OF HER  
8 WORK, HER PUNCTUALITY AND EXCELLENCE ATTENDANCE RECORD. SHE  
9 PROVIDES EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE AND COMPASSIONATE HEALTHCARE  
10 SERVICE TO THE MINORS AT LOS PADRINOS JUVENILE HALL. AS WELL,  
11 MISS MARTINEZ NOT ONLY ATTENDS TO THE MULTIPLE NEEDS OF THE  
12 MINORS BUT ALSO PROVIDES EDUCATION AND SUPPORT TO THEIR FAMILY  
13 MEMBERS. WHILE WORKING IN THE MEDICAL UNIT, SHE IS SOUGHT OUT  
14 BY MANY OF THE MINORS WHO CALL HER BY NAME. THESE MINORS ARE  
15 LOOKING FOR QUALITY HEALTHCARE OR PERHAPS JUST A FRIENDLY  
16 CARING NURSE AND THEY GET ONE IN SOLEDAD MARTINEZ.  
17 CONGRATULATIONS, SOLEDAD. [APPLAUSE.] LAST BUT NOT LEAST,  
18 LOOKING FOR THE NAME HERE. OKAY. JOVELYN TOPEWAN. JOVELYN  
19 COMES FROM A FAMILY FULL OF NURSES, AND AT A VERY YOUNG AGE  
20 ALWAYS DESIRED TO BECOME A REGISTERED NURSE. SHE ATTENDED  
21 FOUR-YEAR SCHOOL OF NURSING IN THE PHILIPPINES, WHEREBY SHE  
22 DESCRIBES HER MOST MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE AS, SHE NEVER MISSED A  
23 DAY OF SCHOOL. SHE STARTED A NURSING CAREER IN THE PHILIPPINES  
24 AS A CLINIC NURSE FROM 1996 TO 2003 AND IN 2004 SHE RELOCATED  
25 TO THE UNITED STATES AND STARTED WORKING AT NORTHRIDGE



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1 HOSPITAL AS AN ONCOLOGY NURSE. SUBSEQUENT TO BEING DIAGNOSED  
2 WITH A THYROID CONDITION, SHE WAS ADVISED BY HER PHYSICIAN TO  
3 POSSIBLY CHANGE HER SUB-SPECIALTY TO SOMETHING NOT SO INTENSE.  
4 AS A RESULT, SHE VENTURED OUT AND BEGAN HER NURSING CAREER  
5 WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.  
6 [LAUGHTER.] I'D SUE THAT GUY THAT GAVE YOU THAT ADVISE, I TELL  
7 YOU. [LAUGHTER.] MEANWHILE, WORKING AT VALLEY CARE MID VALLEY  
8 COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER, JOVELYN ENHANCED HER NURSING  
9 CREDENTIALS BY PURSUING HER PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE CERTIFICATION  
10 FROM CAL. STATE UNIVERSITY, DOMINGUEZ HILLS, IN 2007.  
11 MOREOVER, BEING AN EXCELLENT NURSE AND ADMIRER BY HER  
12 COLLEAGUES AND SUPERVISOR, SHE HAS BEEN RECENTLY PROMOTED TO  
13 R.N. 2 WHEREBY SHE IS THE CLINICAL COORDINATOR FOR WOMEN'S  
14 SERVICES AT MID VALLEY. CURRENTLY, SHE IS ATTENDING MOUNT ST.  
15 MARY'S COLLEGE WORKING TOWARDS A MASTERS OF SCIENCE IN NURSING  
16 AND WILL BE GRADUATING THIS DECEMBER. JOVELYN EXPRESSES THE  
17 MOST CHALLENGING TASK, HER MOST CHALLENGING TASK, WAS CREATING  
18 A TEAMWORK ENVIRONMENT IN WOMEN'S SERVICES WHICH SHE DESCRIBES  
19 AS A VITAL ELEMENT IN THE DELIVERY OF QUALITY PATIENT CARE,  
20 JOVELYN TOPEWAN. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. MR.  
21 KNABE?  
22  
23 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. IT IS MY PRIVILEGE AND HONOR, FIRST OF  
24 ALL, TO RECOGNIZE, I'D LIKE TO ASK DONGJA CHOMPRESKAT, I HOPE  
25 I SAID THAT CORRECTLY. PRETTY CLOSE? DONGJA WAS BORN AND



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1 EDUCATED IN THAILAND. SHE HAS BEEN A COUNTY NURSE FOR 20 YEARS  
2 AND IS CURRENTLY SERVING PATIENTS AT THE MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
3 JR. MULTI SERVICE AMBULATORY CARE CENTER. SHE SPECIALIZES IN  
4 CARDIAC CARE WHERE SHE IS RECOGNIZED FOR OUR HER OUTSTANDING  
5 PERFORMANCE IN DELIVERING A SAFE, HUMANISTIC AND CULTURALLY  
6 SENSITIVE CARE TO THE PATIENTS OF SOUTH LOS ANGELES. DONGJA.  
7 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT, JOSEPHINE ABANYA. JOSEPHINE  
8 WAS BORN IN THE PHILIPPINES AND MIGRATED TO THE UNITED STATES  
9 AT SIX MONTHS OF AGE. SHE STARTED HER NURSING CAREER AT MIDWAY  
10 HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER WHERE SHE WORKED FOR 16 YEARS BEFORE  
11 JOINING THE NURSING STAFF AT MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. SHE IS  
12 CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE DIABETIC LIVING AREA WHERE OVER 110  
13 PATIENTS ARE ON INSULIN, ARE HOUSED. SHE ALSO WORKS WITH  
14 WHEELCHAIR DIALYSIS AND WIRED JAW PATIENTS. JOSEPHINE EVEN  
15 REMINDS US THAT NO AMOUNT OF AUTOMATION OR HIGH TECH GADGETRY  
16 CAN REPLACE THE WARM, GENTLE CARE THAT IS PROVIDED BY HUMAN  
17 HANDS, ESPECIALLY THE HANDS OF A PROFESSIONAL NURSE.  
18 CONGRATULATIONS. WOW, WHAT GREAT WORK. [APPLAUSE.] TURNED  
19 AROUND, SO I HAVE THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. ALL RIGHT. NEXT  
20 I'D LIKE TO INVITE UP ANNA VINEGAS. ANNA IS A REGISTERED NURSE  
21 AT THE LONG BEACH COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER, SHE WORKS  
22 PRIMARILY IN THE PEDIATRIC AREA WHERE SHE PROVIDES ,  
23 EXCEPTIONAL CULTURALLY SENSITIVE PATIENT AND FAMILY CENTERED  
24 CARE. SHE IS CURRENTLY PURSUING HER BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN  
25 NURSING AT CAL. STATE UNIVERSITY OF DOMINGUEZ HILLS. ANNA





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1 MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN NURSING BECAUSE SHE IS TRULY DEVOTED TO  
2 HER PROFESSION AND THE PATIENTS, WHICH IS APPARENT THROUGH HER  
3 SINCERE, CARING AND PROFESSIONAL ATTITUDE. SO CONGRATULATIONS,  
4 ANNA. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT I WOULD  
7 LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE FOLLOWING: DIANE ZORZAK, WHO HAS BEEN  
8 WITH THE COUNTY FOR THE PAST 13 1/2 YEARS IN THE ANTELOPE  
9 VALLEY. SHE SERVES IN THE URGENT CARE CENTER IN THE HIGH  
10 DESERT HEALTH SYSTEM. SHE FIRST CAME TO WORK AT HIGH DESERT  
11 HOSPITAL IN THE ROLE OF AN L.V.N. SHE THEN WORKED IN THE  
12 REHABILITATION UNIT, THEN TRANSFERRED TO THE SKILLED NURSING  
13 FACILITY AND THEN TRANSFERRED TO THE SURGICAL DEPARTMENT. THEN  
14 SHE BECAME AN AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTER NURSE DURING 2003 WHEN  
15 SHE RETURNED TO NURSING SCHOOL TO OBTAIN HER R.N .EDUCATION  
16 THROUGH THE HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE. WHILE GOING TO SCHOOL, SHE  
17 CONTINUED TO WORK FULL-TIME, TAKE CARE OF HER DISABLED SON AND  
18 GRADUATED IN 2006, TAKING A JOB IN URGENT CARE, THE MAIN  
19 CAMPUS OF HIGH DESERT SYSTEM. AND SHE'S NOW CONSIDERED TO BE A  
20 WONDERFUL ASSET TO HIGH DESERT HOSPITAL. SHE PROMOTES TEAMWORK  
21 AND CLINIC PRODUCTIVITY, DEMONSTRATING A STRONG WORK ETHIC,  
22 AND SHOWS GREAT LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL. SO DIANE,  
23 CONGRATULATIONS AND WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS. NEXT WILL BE A  
24 DOCTORATE? [APPLAUSE.] NOW THIS IS REMARKABLE. SHE WENT FROM  
25 ANTELOPE VALLEY TO EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE LEAVING AT 4:00 IN



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1 THE MORNING. SO WHEN PEOPLE SAY THEY CAN'T DO IT, THAT'S ALL  
2 AN EXCUSE. SHE DID. [APPLAUSE.] LOREAL AMARA HAS BEEN EMPLOYED  
3 AS A NURSE WITH OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS  
4 ,WORKING IN THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT UNIT OF OUR COUNTY'S  
5 MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCY. HE BEGAN IN MAY OF 2001 AS A NURSING  
6 INSTRUCTOR WORKING IN THE PRE-HOSPITAL CARE OPERATIONS SECTION  
7 OF THE E.M.S. AGENCY. RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BASE HOSPITAL  
8 PROGRAM, INVOLVED IN POLICY AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT,  
9 CONDUCTING AUDITS AND SURVEYS OF BASE HOSPITALS AND  
10 COORDINATING THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ORIENTATION  
11 PROGRAM. AS A SENIOR NURSING INSTRUCTOR, HE WAS ASSIGNED TO  
12 WORK AS A HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM COORDINATOR OVERSEEING  
13 TRAUMA AND BURN SURG. ACTIVITIES, HOSPITAL REDUNDANT  
14 COMMUNICATION AND COORDINATING WITH COMMUNITY CLINICS UNDER  
15 THE FEDERAL H.P.P. GRANT PROGRAM. HE HAS ALSO DEVELOPED SURVEY  
16 TOOLS USED TO COLLECT INFORMATION AND COLLATED THE DATA TO  
17 ENSURE L.A. COUNTY REPORTED THE REQUIRED GRANT PERFORMANCE  
18 MEASURES. SINCE 2007, HE HAS TAKEN OVER THE DAY-TO-DAY  
19 MANAGEMENT OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION AS RELATED TO  
20 ITS HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM. LOREAL, CONGRATULATIONS.  
21 [APPLAUSE.] REGINA DITO HAS BEEN EMPLOYED WITH OUR COUNTY FOR  
22 THE PAST 10 YEARS AFTER HAVING WORKED AT HARBOR U.C.L.A.  
23 EMERGENCY ROOM AND OLIVE VIEW'S EMERGENCY ROOM. SHE  
24 TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AT THE  
25 BEGINNING OF THE URGENT COMMUNITIES SERVICES PROGRAM, WHICH IS



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1 CALLED U.C.S.P. THIS INNOVATIVE SERVICE WAS TO EASE THE  
2 CROWDING IN THE OLIVE VIEW PSYCHIATRIC E.R. AND PROVIDE A NEW  
3 LEVEL OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE AND LINKAGE TO THOSE CLIENTS.  
4 THE U.C.S.P. PROVIDES URGENT MENTAL HEALTH HEALTH SERVICES AT  
5 THREE LOCATIONS ADJACENT TO THE OLIVE VIEW EMERGENCY  
6 DEPARTMENT, AT THE SAN FERNANDO MENTAL HEALTH CENTER AND AT  
7 THE HILL VIEW RESIDENTIAL SITE IN AKOYMA. SHE HAS BEEN CRUCIAL  
8 IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND SUCCESS OF THIS PROGRAM SINCE ITS  
9 INCEPTION IN 1995. SHE HAS BEEN VALUABLE TO THE URGENT CARE  
10 PROGRAM DUE TO HER KNOWLEDGE OF THE INNER WORKINGS OF THE  
11 PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY ROOM AS WELL AS HER INVOLVEMENT WITH  
12 PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY ROOM STAFF. DUE TO HER STRONG CLINICAL  
13 SKILLS, HER ABILITY TO CONNECT WITH THE CLIENTS, SHE ALSO MANY  
14 TIMES OBTAINS THE VITAL INFORMATION IN HER ASSESSMENTS THAT  
15 ASSISTS THE STAFF IN PROVIDING THE LEVEL OF CARE NEEDED FOR  
16 THAT PATIENT. SHE HAS A TREMENDOUS WORK ETHIC, COMING TO WORK  
17 EARLY, OFTEN STILL AT WORK AFTER HER HOURS ARE OVER, TO ENSURE  
18 THAT EVERYTHING IS COMPLETE TO THE BENEFIT OF THE PATIENT.  
19 REGINA, CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] SARAH STANBACK HAS BEEN  
20 AN EMPLOYEE WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THE PAST SIX  
21 YEARS. CURRENTLY SERVES IN THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT  
22 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SECTION. SHE HAS BEEN A REGISTERED  
23 NURSE FOR THE PAST 12 YEARS. IN HER CURRENT POSITION, SHE IS  
24 RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING CONTINUING EDUCATION AND FIELD CARE  
25 OBSERVATIONS FOR DIVISION 5 IN OUR ANTELOPE VALLEY. SHE



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1 PARTICIPATES IN SEVERAL COMMITTEES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, AS  
2 WELL AS E.M.S. AGENCY. SHE'S A VALUABLE MEMBER OF OUR COUNTY  
3 TEAM. HER PEERS DESCRIBE HER AS INTELLIGENT AND A GREAT  
4 RESOURCE. SO, SARAH, CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, MADAME CHAIR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I  
7 APPRECIATE YOU ALLOWING ME TO GO OUT OF ORDER HERE A LITTLE  
8 BIT. I'M GOING TO ASK LIEUTENANT GENERAL MIKE HAMEL TO JOIN ME  
9 UP HERE. TODAY WE ARE HONORING GENERAL HAMEL ON HIS RETIREMENT  
10 FROM THE COMMANDER OF THE LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE, SPACE  
11 AND MISSILE SYSTEM CENTER, AS WELL 36 YEARS OF GREAT SERVICE  
12 TO OUR COUNTRY IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE. HE WAS  
13 COMMISSIONED AS A SECOND LIEUTENANT IN 1972 AFTER ATTENDING  
14 THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY. GENERAL HAMEL ROSE  
15 THROUGH THE RANKS IN A VARIETY OF COMMAND POSITIONS INVOLVING  
16 SPACE OPERATIONS, INCLUDING SERVING AS A VICE PRESIDENT'S  
17 MILITARY ADVISOR ON DEFENSE AND SPACE POLICY. IN MAY OF 2005,  
18 GENERAL HAMEL TOOK THE COMMAND OF THE ONLY ACTIVE DUTY AIR  
19 FORCE BASE IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING  
20 THE DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT OF SPACE AND MISSILE SYSTEMS FOR OUR  
21 NATION'S DEFENSE. WHILE LOCATED IN EL SEGUNDO, THE IMPACT OF  
22 THE LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE IS HUGE, GENERATING BILLIONS OF  
23 DOLLARS IN ECONOMIC OUTPUT AND SUPPORTING HUNDREDS OF  
24 THOUSANDS OF JOBS NATIONWIDE. GENERAL HAMEL HAS BEEN A GREAT  
25 FRIEND TO OUR COUNTY AND HAS HELPED TO CONTINUE TO ENSURE THE



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1 CONTINUED EXISTENCE AND IMPROVEMENT AT THE LOS ANGELES AIR  
2 FORCE BASE AT ITS NEW LOCATION AND FACILITY, THE SHRIVER SPACE  
3 COMPLEX. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES AND THE  
4 BOARD, 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, A GRATEFUL  
5 NATION, WE PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO YOU IN RECOGNITION AS YOUR  
6 RETIREMENT OF COMMANDER BUT ALSO YOUR 36 YEARS OF SERVICE TO  
7 OUR COUNTRY, HEARTFELT THANKS, GOD'S BLESSINGS AND A  
8 WONDERFUL, ENJOYABLE RETIREMENT. HE HAS 72 HOURS. AND THEY  
9 HAVE HIM BUSY EVERY MINUTE OF THE 72 HOURS. SO WE APPRECIATE  
10 HIM TAKING TIME OUT OF HIS BUSY SCHEDULE TO JOIN US HERE  
11 TODAY. CONGRATULATIONS, GENERAL. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **GEN. MIKE HAMEL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND ALL  
14 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS TOKEN  
15 OF APPRECIATION AND RECOGNITION. BUT LET ME THANK YOU ALL FOR  
16 WHAT IT IS THAT YOU HAVE DONE AS AMERICA'S CITIZENS. THE  
17 ENTIRE LOS ANGELES REGION HAS BEEN VERY WELCOMING TO ALL OF  
18 OUR MILITARY MEMBERS HERE. AND THE PARTNERSHIP THAT WE HAVE  
19 WITH THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY, ACADEMIA, LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND  
20 OUR MILITARY MEMBERS HAS BEEN EXTRAORDINARY. I THANK YOU VERY  
21 MUCH FOR MAKING OUR JOB EASIER AS WE TRY TO PROTECT THE  
22 NATION. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S TRULY WONDERFUL TO STAND HERE TODAY TO  
25 CELEBRATE THESE WONDERFUL INDIVIDUALS FOR THE OUTSTANDING WORK



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1 THAT THEY HAVE DONE ON BEHALF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOSTER  
2 YOUTH. [APPLAUSE.] AND THANK YOU TO THE CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER,  
3 D.C.F.S., AND OUR MANY COMMUNITY PARTNERS IN COORDINATING AND  
4 PLANNING THIS YEAR'S LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOSTER CARE AWARENESS  
5 CAMPAIGN. THIS MONTH-LONG CAMPAIGN BRINGS CRITICAL AWARENESS  
6 TO THE CHALLENGES THAT CHILD WELFARE FACES AS WELL AS THE  
7 INCREDIBLE PEOPLE WHO HELP US MAKE THE LIVES OF FOSTER YOUTH  
8 BETTER AND BRIGHTER. THESE CHILDREN NEED LOVE, UNDERSTANDING  
9 AND SUPPORT FROM PROFESSIONALS, PARENTAL ROLE MODELS, MENTORS  
10 AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT. THESE INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS ARE THE  
11 FOSTER CARE HEROES WE ARE HONORING HERE TODAY. THESE PEOPLE  
12 SYMBOLIZE WHAT CAN HAPPEN WHEN THE COMMUNITY REACHES OUT TO  
13 NEEDS OF CHILDREN. AND FIRST I'D LIKE TO CALL SUPERVISING  
14 JUVENILE COURT JUDGE, EMILY STEVENS. SHE'S ANOTHER  
15 EXTRAORDINARY INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS DEDICATED-- IS SHE HERE?  
16 WHERE IS SHE? HERE SHE IS. WHO HAS DEDICATED HERSELF TO THE  
17 ISSUE OF ABUSE AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN FOR OVER 15 YEARS. SHE  
18 HAS BEEN AN ONGOING ADVOCATE FOR YOUTH AGING OUT OF THE  
19 SYSTEM. HER EFFORTS HAVE LED TO A HIGHER DEGREE OF AWARENESS  
20 BY ALL OF THE JUDICIAL OFFICERS OF SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THESE  
21 YOUTH. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT, MICHELLE MASSEY  
22 DESERVES RECOGNITION FOR BREAKING THROUGH OVERWHELMING  
23 OBSTACLES AND HER OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO CHILD WELFARE  
24 AND TO JUVENILE JUSTICE ADVOCACY. AT 16, MICHELLE STRUGGLED TO  
25 BALANCE SCHOOL, WORKING A PART-TIME JOB AND RAISING A CHILD.





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1 MICHELLE PERSEVERED AND GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL AND  
2 ENROLLED IN LOS ANGELES CITY COLLEGE. IN SPITE OF MORE  
3 STRUGGLES, SHE HAS FOUND THE STRENGTH TO SUCCEED. SHE HAS HAD  
4 THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING WITH FOSTER YOUTH FOR 12 YEARS. TODAY  
5 SHE'S BECOME A STRONG SPOKESPERSON FOR THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS  
6 OF FOSTER YOUTH. MICHELLE CURRENTLY WORKS AS AN EDUCATIONAL  
7 COMMUNITY WORKER FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OF EDUCATION  
8 FOSTER YOUTH SERVICE. SHE MARRIED IN 2006 AND HAS A 13-YEAR-  
9 OLD DAUGHTER. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] WONDERFUL STORY.  
10 I'M PROUD TO INTRODUCE FAWNDA SANDOVAL WHO HAS WORKED IN  
11 D.C.F.S. ADOPTION DIVISION FOR 17 YEARS. HER CARING, BELIEF IN  
12 HER WORK, AND DEDICATION IS SO GREAT THAT AS A SINGLE WOMAN,  
13 SHE ADOPTED THREE OLDER YOUTH THROUGH D.C.F.S. HER FAMILY  
14 INCLUDES TWO SONS AND A DAUGHTER. THEY WERE ADOPTED AT 8, 15  
15 AND 17 YEARS OLD. THEY ARE NOW 22, 25 AND 26. WHILE RAISING  
16 HER THREE CHILDREN, FAWNDA HAS GONE TO THE MAX TO MEET THEIR  
17 NEEDS. SHE IS ALSO A FINE EXAMPLE OF HOW A LOVING, DEDICATED,  
18 CARING PARENT CAN HAVE A PROFOUND EFFECT ON ABUSED AND  
19 NEGLECTED CHILDREN. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. [APPLAUSE.] WE  
20 WOULD NOW LIKE TO CALL UP PORTIA MEYERS. SHE HAS ALSO  
21 WEATHERED MANY CHALLENGES IN HER YOUNG LIFE. SHE BECAME A  
22 FOSTER YOUTH AT THE AGE OF FOUR AND A RELATIVE CAREGIVER TO A  
23 YOUNGER BROTHER THREE YEARS AGO. SHE ACHIEVED HER DREAM OF  
24 GRADUATING COLLEGE, BECOMING A SOCIAL WORKER. THREE YEARS AGO,  
25 PORTIA JOINED D.C.F.S. AS A SOCIAL WORKER. HER COLLEAGUES



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1 DESCRIBE HER AS ALWAYS BEING A CONSUMMATE PROFESSIONAL AND AN  
2 INSPIRATION TO HER FAMILY. SHE'S AN ESPECIALLY STRONG ADVOCATE  
3 FOR THE NEEDS OF OLDER FOSTER YOUTH. CONGRATULATIONS.  
4 [APPLAUSE.] FOR A LONG TIME, MARIA AND EDWARD LAZO HAD BEEN  
5 INTERESTED IN FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION AS A MEANS OF BUILDING  
6 THEIR FAMILY. THEY BECAME FOSTER PARENTS THROUGH THE SOUTHERN  
7 CALIFORNIA FOSTER FAMILY AND ADOPTION AGENCY. WITHIN A MONTH  
8 OF BEING APPROVED OF FOSTER PARENTS, THEY RECEIVED THEIR FIRST  
9 PHONE CALL, ASKING IF THEY COULD CARE FOR A THREE DAY OLD BABY  
10 GIRL. OVER TIME, MORE CHILDREN JOINED THE FAMILY, FOUR OF WHOM  
11 HAVE BEEN ADOPTED. THE LAZOS HAVE A PROFOUND RESPECT FOR THE  
12 BIRTH FAMILIES OF THEIR CHILDREN, AND HAVE EXTENDED A WARM  
13 HAND OF FRIENDSHIP AND SUPPORT TO THEM SO THEIR CHILDREN COULD  
14 KNOW THEIR BIRTH FAMILIES AND PARTICULARLY THEIR SIBLINGS. AND  
15 ISN'T THIS A GREAT FAMILY? CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] BIRTH  
16 MOTHER, APRIL BEAMON, HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED A DRUG  
17 TREATMENT PROGRAM AND HAS REGAINED CUSTODY OF HER THREE  
18 CHILDREN. FOR MANY YEARS, SHE STRUGGLED WITH HER ADDICTION AND  
19 HER CHILDREN HAD BEEN REMOVED TWICE. HER CASE SUCCESSFULLY  
20 CLOSED IN 2007. MISS BEAMON REMAINS CLEAN AND SOBER AND NOW  
21 VOLUNTEERS HER TIME AT A LOCAL CHURCH DOING COMMUNITY  
22 OUTREACH. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. [APPLAUSE.] THE SELF-  
23 REALIZATION FELLOWSHIP LAKE SHRINE CHURCH IN PACIFIC PALISADES  
24 HELD THEIR TENTH ANNUAL HOLIDAY GIFT PROGRAM FOR FOSTER YOUTH  
25 IN DECEMBER 2007. DUE TO THE GENEROSITY AND DEDICATION OF THE



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1 LAKE SHRINE MEMBERS, WEST LOS ANGELES SOCIAL WORKERS WERE ABLE  
2 TO DELIVER ALMOST 400 GIFTS, ALMOST \$40,000 IN GIFTS. EVERY  
3 CHILD GETS A GIFT OF THEIR CHOICE. THE SELF-REALIZATION  
4 FELLOWSHIP LAKE SHRINE HOLIDAY GIFT PROGRAM FOR FOSTER YOUTH  
5 IS AN EXAMPLE OF A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN FAITH-BASED COMMUNITIES  
6 AND GOVERNMENT. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. AND NOW WE WOULD LIKE  
7 TO CALL UP ONE OF OUR OTHER HONOREES IF I CAN FIND THE PAGE.  
8 WELL IT GIVES ME GREAT JOY TO STAND HERE AND HONOR MY ESTEEMED  
9 FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE, SUPERVISOR MIKE ANTONOVICH. HE TRULY  
10 BELIEVES IN THE NEEDS OF ALL CHILDREN AND IS UNWAVERING IN HIS  
11 SUPPORT OF D.C.F.S. HE HAS MADE IT A POINT TO SPEAK UP FOR THE  
12 NEEDS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOSTER YOUTH, ESPECIALLY WITH  
13 REGARD FOR GREATER SAFETY AND PERMANENCE FOR ABUSED AND  
14 NEGLECTED CHILDREN. HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR FOSTER YOUTH ARE  
15 TOO NUMEROUS TO LIST. ON BEHALF OF MY STAFF AND LOS ANGELES  
16 COUNTY YOUTH, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. [APPLAUSE.]  
17 WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A WORD? WE DIDN'T LET ANYONE ELSE TALK.  
18 WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A WORD? ONE WORD?

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'VE NEVER BEEN ON THIS END BEFORE. BUT IT'S  
21 GREAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS HONOR. THE NEXT ROLE WE  
22 HAVE, ALONG WITH GETTING THESE CHILDREN ADOPTED, IS TO HAVE  
23 THE STATE LEGISLATURE ENSURE THAT THE AGE OF EMANCIPATION IS  
24 MOVED TO AGE 21 INSTEAD OF 18, WHICH WOULD GIVE US THREE  
25 ADDITIONAL YEARS TO SUPPORT. THESE YOUNG PEOPLE-- [APPLAUSE.]



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1 SO THEY WOULD HAVE THAT ABILITY TO HAVE A FOUNDATION TO GO OUT  
2 AND BE THE PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS THAT WE NEED. EIGHTEEN YEARS OF  
3 AGE IS REALLY NOT ENOUGH TIME. AND OUR CORONER, OUR SHERIFF  
4 AND OTHERS CAN TELL YOU THAT IT'S NOT ENOUGH TIME. AND WORKING  
5 TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE THAT HAPPEN AND THEREBY MAKING IT A  
6 BETTER WORLD FOR THESE PEOPLE, WHO HAVE BEEN REJECTED SO MANY  
7 TIMES, KNOWING THAT THE PEOPLE DO CARE FOR THEM, DO LOVE THEM  
8 AND THEY DO HAVE THE ABILITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** BYE-BYE.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD NOW JUDGE RUDY  
13 DIAZ CHAIR OF THE DRUG COURT OVERSIGHT SUBCOMMITTEE, DRUG  
14 COURT COMMISSIONER KATHARINE DEVOE, AND DRUG COURT GRADUATES,  
15 GREG DORIS, MONIQUE MARQUEZ AND PETER ROGERS. DRUG COURT  
16 PROVIDES LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE FOR DRUG OFFENDERS BY BRINGING  
17 TOGETHER CRIMINAL JUSTICE, TREATMENT AND OTHER COMMUNITY  
18 PARTNERS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND CRIMINALITY. THE  
19 PROGRAM COMBINES STRICT JUDICIAL SUPERVISION, MANDATORY DRUG  
20 TESTING, ACCOUNTABILITY AND INTENSIVE TREATMENT TO BREAK THE  
21 CYCLE OF DRUG ADDICTION AND RELATED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. JUDGES,  
22 PROSECUTORS, DEFENSE ATTORNEYS, TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION  
23 PROFESSIONALS, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CORRECTIVE PERSONNEL,  
24 EDUCATORS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS ARE ALL LEADERS IN THIS DRUG  
25 COURT MOVEMENT. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DRUG COURT PROGRAM IS



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1 CELEBRATING ITS 14TH ANNIVERSARY WITH 15 SUCCESSFUL ADULT AND  
2 JUVENILE PROGRAMS. TODAY WE HAVE THREE GRADUATES PRESENT, AND  
3 I'D LIKE TO PRESENT THEM WITH A SCROLL AND WISH THEM CONTINUED  
4 SUCCESS ON THEIR JOURNEY OF RECOVERY. WE ARE ALL PROUD OF WHAT  
5 YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED. FIRST, GREG DORIS. CONGRATULATIONS. WE  
6 WANT TO SAY A LITTLE BIT ABOUT HIM. AFTER HIS ADDICTION  
7 RESULTED IN THE LOSS OF HIS LICENSE TO PRACTICE LAW, AND A  
8 STATE PRISON SENTENCE, HE ENTERED INTO THE DRUG COURT PROGRAM  
9 AND BEGAN HIS PATH TO RECOVERY. IN THE 10 YEARS SINCE  
10 GRADUATION OF THE PROGRAM, HE HAS BECOME A CERTIFIED ALCOHOL  
11 AND DRUG COUNSELOR, SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF THE OF REAL HONDA  
12 DRUG COURT PROGRAM AND BECAME AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR CEDAR  
13 HOUSE A 120-BED TREATMENT CENTER IN BLOOMINGDALE, CALIFORNIA.  
14 THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] MONIQUE MARQUEZ? MONIQUE BEGAN  
15 AND SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED AND GRADUATED FROM THE RIO HONDA  
16 DRUG PROGRAM IN 2001. SINCE GRADUATING FROM THE PROGRAM, SHE  
17 HAS BECOME A CERTIFIED ADDICTION SPECIALIST AND IS CURRENTLY  
18 THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF RESIDENTIAL SERVICES AT ESCOSTA DE  
19 PAZ AT MID VALLEY RECOVERY SERVICES INCORPORATED. SHE TAKES  
20 GREAT PRIDE IN HER ROLE AS A MOTHER TO HER FOUR CHILDREN AND  
21 AS A SOURCE OF SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE TO OTHERS WHO FIND  
22 THEMSELVES WORKING TO BECOME SOBER AND PRODUCTIVE MEMBERS OF  
23 SOCIETY. MONIQUE? [APPLAUSE.] PETER C. ROGERS. PETER ENTERED  
24 THE DRUG COURT PROGRAM IN 2003 AND SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED IT  
25 AND GRADUATED IN 18 MONTHS. AFTER REPEATED ENCOUNTERS WITH THE



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1 JUDICIAL SYSTEM, HE WAS ACCEPTED INTO THE IN-CUSTODY AND  
2 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM, OVERSEEN BY JUDGE MICHAEL TYNAN WHERE HE  
3 LEARNED TO ACCEPT THE PRINCIPLES OF TREATMENT AND RECOVERY.  
4 SINCE GRADUATING FROM THE PROGRAM, HE HAS REPEATEDLY EXHIBITED  
5 HIS PASSION FOR HELPING OTHERS BY DONATING HIS TIME, INSIGHT  
6 AND SPONSORSHIP TO NEWCOMERS IN THE DRUG COURT PROGRAM. HE IS  
7 ALSO THE C.E.O. OF P.E.L.S.A., PROVIDING EVERYONE LIVING SOBER  
8 ASSISTANCE CORPORATION AND OPERATES A SOBER LIVING FACILITY.  
9 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I  
10 PRESENT THESE SCROLLS TO JUDGE RUDY DIAZ, COMMISSIONER,  
11 KATHARINE DEVOE AND ALL THE PROGRAM GRADUATES AS WE PROCLAIM  
12 MAY 2008 AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY DRUG COURT MONTH THROUGHOUT THE  
13 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND THEN TO COMMISSIONER DEVOE,  
14 KATHARINE DEVOE, ARE YOU GOING TO SPEAK FIRST?

15

16 **RUDY DIAZ:** I'LL SPEAK VERY QUICKLY. ALL RIGHT. I'VE HAD THE  
17 GOOD FORTUNE OF BEING INVOLVED WITH THE DRUG COURT SINCE THEIR  
18 INCEPTION HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SINCE ALMOST 1992,  
19 OUR FIRST TIME THAT WE GOT TOGETHER, SOON AFTER WE VISITED THE  
20 FIRST PROGRAM IN MIAMI. WE WERE IMPRESSED BY WHAT WE SAW, WE  
21 THOUGHT IT WAS SOMETHING THAT THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTY COULD  
22 BENEFIT BY AND WE BROUGHT IT BACK WITH US TO LOS ANGELES. AS  
23 THE SUPERVISOR HAS INDICATED, WE HAVE 15 PROGRAMS, WHICH HAVE  
24 BEEN IN OPERATION NOW FOR MORE THAN 10 YEARS. BUT THE CONCEPT  
25 ITSELF HAS EXPANDED THROUGHOUT THE SYSTEM. AND, IN FACT,





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1 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. AND, IN FACT, PEOPLE FROM OTHER  
2 COUNTRIES HAVE COME TO THIS COUNTRY, INCLUDING LOS ANGELES,  
3 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, TO SEE WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING. AND  
4 THEY'RE IMPRESSED AND THEY'VE ADOPTED OUR METHODOLOGY FOR  
5 BRINGING COURTS AND TREATMENT AND OTHERS IN COLLABORATION TO  
6 HELP SOLVE SOME REAL SERIOUS PROBLEMS IN THIS WORLD AND  
7 CERTAINLY IN THIS COUNTY. AND WHAT YOU SEE TODAY, OF COURSE  
8 THERE'S THREE PEOPLE WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED WHAT CAN BE DONE IN  
9 COLLABORATION INSTEAD OF IN AN ADVERSARIAL PROCESS. BUT I  
10 STILL WANT TO CONSTANTLY EMPHASIZE THE IMPACT THAT THE BOARD  
11 OF SUPERVISORS HAS HAD. FROM THE INCEPTION OF THE PROGRAMS,  
12 AND I THANK AGAIN THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND EACH ONE OF YOU  
13 PRETTY MUCH WAS INVOLVED WHEN WE GOT STARTED. AND I THANK YOU  
14 FOR YOUR RELENTLESS AND UNDYING SUPPORT. DRUG COURTS WOULD NOT  
15 HAVE EXISTED WITHOUT YOUR EFFORTS. AND WE ALL SHOULD TAKE SOME  
16 PRIDE AND CREDIT FOR WHAT WE HAVE DONE AS A COMMUNITY. WE HAVE  
17 NOT ONLY BENEFITED THE PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY IN TERMS OF TAX  
18 SAVINGS, WE'VE ALSO, OF COURSE, HAVE BROUGHT FAMILIES  
19 TOGETHER. AND I THINK WE'VE HELPED PEOPLE TURN THEIR LIVES  
20 AROUND INTO SOMETHING MORE PRODUCTIVE AND SOMETHING THAT I  
21 THINK THAT WE CAN ALL BE PROUD OF. SO THANK YOU AGAIN,  
22 SUPERVISOR AND TO OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FOR YOUR CONSTANT  
23 AND UNDYING SUPPORT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]  
24



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1    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, THANK YOU. WE'RE GOING TO TAKE ONE  
2    PHOTO HERE OF EVERYONE, IF WE CAN GET EVERYONE IN. I'D LIKE TO  
3    CALL FORWARD THE SECOND DISTRICT DISTINGUISHED ELEMENTARY  
4    SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES. CHARLES W. BURSE ELEMENTARY FROM  
5    COMPTON UNIFIED. EL MARINO LANGUAGE SCHOOL FROM CULVER CITY,  
6    BEETHOVEN STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 156TH STREET ELEMENTARY  
7    FROM L.A.U.S.D.. OVERLAND SCHOOL FOR ADVANCED STUDIES  
8    L.A.U.S.D. SYNERGY CHARTER ACADEMY, L.A.U.S.D. AND JUAN  
9    CABRILLO ELEMENTARY FROM WISEBURN. EARLIER THIS MONTH IT WAS  
10    ANNOUNCED THAT 343 EXEMPLARY CALIFORNIA PUBLIC ELEMENTARY  
11    SCHOOLS FROM 189 DISTRICTS AND 39 COUNTIES HAD BEEN SELECTED  
12    AS 2008 CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS TODAY EACH SUPERVISOR  
13    WILL BE HONORING THOSE SCHOOLS LOCATED WITHIN THIS DISTRICT.  
14    THIS YEAR, IN PARTICULAR, THERE WERE 300 OF THE AWARD-WINNING  
15    SCHOOLS THAT SERVED POPULATIONS HIGH IN MINORITY STUDENT  
16    REPRESENTATION. AND 183 THAT ARE EDUCATING STUDENTS WHO ARE  
17    WHO ARE LEARNING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE. THERE ARE  
18    APPROXIMATELY 839 SCHOOLS THAT SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS AND WERE  
19    IDENTIFIED FOR ELIGIBILITY BASED UPON THEIR ACADEMIC  
20    PERFORMANCE INDEX AND ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS RESULTS. IT WAS  
21    A RIGOROUS SELECTION PROCESS BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
22    EDUCATION WITH THE HELP OF MANY LOCAL EDUCATORS FROM ALL  
23    ACROSS THE STATE. IT IS GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THESE  
24    SCHOOLS FROM CHARLES W. BURSE ELEMENTARY AND TO EL MARINO  
25    LANGUAGE SCHOOL, BEETHOVEN STREET ELEMENTARY, 156TH STREET



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1 ELEMENTARY, OVERLAND SCHOOL FOR ADVANCED STUDIES, SYNERGY  
2 CHARTER ACADEMY, AND JUAN CABRILLO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR THEIR  
3 RECOGNITION AS A 2008 CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL. WE HAVE  
4 SOME HERE. AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM SYNERGY CHARTER ACADEMY.  
5 [APPLAUSE.] CONGRATULATIONS. 156TH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.  
6 [APPLAUSE.] BEETHOVEN STREET SCHOOL. [APPLAUSE.]  
7 CONGRATULATIONS AND EL MARINO LANGUAGE SCHOOL. [APPLAUSE.] AND  
8 CHARLES W. BURSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. [APPLAUSE.]  
9 CONGRATULATIONS. WE WILL HAVE DARLENE ROBLES WHO'S GOING TO  
10 SAY A WORD.

11

12 **DARLENE ROBLES:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. OUR COUNTY OFFICE  
13 PARTNERS WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN  
14 ENSURING THAT THE SITE VISITS ARE CONDUCTED AND WE WORK  
15 CLOSELY WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION AND STAFF.  
16 NOTHING PLEASES ME MORE THAN TO HONOR THE SCHOOLS TODAY THAT  
17 ARE HERE AND THAT WILL BE HONORED IN THE FUTURE BECAUSE BEING  
18 THE CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL IS ONE OF THE HIGHEST  
19 RECOGNITIONS THAT OUR STATE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS TO SCHOOLS,  
20 BECAUSE OF THE VIGOROUS PROCESS THAT THE SCHOOLS MUST GO  
21 THROUGH. THEY HAVE TO WRITE A DETAILED NARRATIVE ABOUT WHAT  
22 THEIR RESULTS SHOW AND WHY THEY HAVE OVERCOME CERTAIN  
23 BARRIERS. AND THE SITE VISITS ARE CONDUCTED BY, AS THE  
24 SUPERVISOR SAID, RENOWNED EDUCATORS, TO ENSURE THAT THE  
25 NARRATIVE IS ACTUALLY PLAYING OUT IN THE SCHOOLS. SO IT REALLY



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1 IS A TEAM EFFORT. SO I WANT TO CONGRATULATE THE BOARDS OF  
2 EDUCATION, THE SUPERINTENDENTS AND PARTICULARLY THE PRINCIPALS  
3 AND SCHOOL STAFF OF EACH OF THE SCHOOLS BEING PRESENTED TODAY,  
4 FOR DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB IN PREPARING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE  
5 SUCCESSFUL. SO ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, I  
6 WANT TO ALSO PROVIDE MY CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH AND EVERY ONE  
7 HERE TODAY. [APPLAUSE.] CONGRATULATIONS. KEEP UP THE GOOD  
8 WORK.

9

10 **DR. ALTHEA FORD:** HI. I JUST WANTED TO SAY SOMETHING. I'M DR.  
11 ALTHEA FORD, THE PROUD PRINCIPAL OF BEETHOVEN STREET SCHOOL  
12 LOCATED IN MAR VISTA. WE ARE UP AND COMING. LAST YEAR, WE  
13 JUMPED 54 POINTS IN OUR A.P.I. WHY DO I WANT TO BE ON THE  
14 MICROPHONE? I SAW A BILLION DOLLAR FLASHED ACROSS THE SCREEN.  
15 I'M NOT SURE THAT WAS EARMARKED FOR. BUT WE ARE LOOKING FOR A  
16 COMPUTER LAB. AND IT IS SUCH AN HONOR TO BE STANDING RIGHT  
17 HERE NEXT TO YOU, MISS BURKE. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS SOMEONE THAT HAS TO  
20 LEAVE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO  
23 CALL UP REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES,  
24 OUR GOOD MAYOR DOWN THERE, HONORABLE DOUG STERN, COUNCIL  
25 MEMBER, STEVE WOLOWITZ. ALSO, SENIOR ANALYST MATT WATERS AND



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1 HENRY OTT, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF POINTE VICENTE, LOS  
2 CERRANOS. AND FROM THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND  
3 RECREATION, OUR DIRECTOR RUSS GUINEY, CHIEF DEPUTY, JOHN  
4 WICKER. ALANA VOLKMAN, WHO IS A DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE  
5 L.A. COUNTY PARK AND REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT AND HER  
6 STAFF. WE ARE HERE TO RECOGNIZE THE CITY OF RANCHO PALOS  
7 VERDES WITH AN ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
8 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT FOR THE CITY'S POINTE  
9 VICENTE INTERPRETIVE CENTER. FOR THOSE OF YOU THAT HAVE NOT  
10 HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT, IT IS NOT ONLY AN INCREDIBLE VIEW  
11 AND JUST AN OUTSTANDING FACILITY, BUT IT'S A WONDERFUL SUNDAY  
12 AFTERNOON OR SATURDAY AFTERNOON OR ANY TIME OF THE DAY OR  
13 NIGHT. THE INTERPRETIVE CENTER IS MAJESTICALLY PERCHED ON A  
14 150 FOOT CLIFF, WITH THE SPECTACULAR 180-DEGREE VIEW OF THE  
15 PACIFIC OCEAN. THE ORIGINAL BUILDING ON THE SITE OPENED IN  
16 1984 AND WITH A PROPOSITION 8 GRANT FROM THE OPEN SPACE  
17 DISTRICT, AS WELL AS OTHER FUNDS, IT HAS BEEN EXPANDED TO ITS  
18 NOW NEARLY 10,000 SQUARE FEET AND CELEBRATED ITS GRAND  
19 REOPENING IN 2006. WITH EXTENSIVE NATIVE LANDSCAPING, BOLD  
20 ARCHITECTURAL LINES AND A BUILDING FACADE MADE OF LOCAL SHALE  
21 AND ROCKS, THE CENTER BLENDS SEAMLESSLY WITH ITS BREATHTAKING  
22 ENVIRONMENT AND VIEW. THE FOCUS OF THE CENTER IS ON THE  
23 NATURAL AND CULTURAL HISTORY OF THE PALOS VERDES PENINSULA AND  
24 THE MIGRATION OF THE PACIFIC GRAY WHALE. INTERIOR EXHIBITS  
25 INCLUDE A RECREATION OF LOCAL TIDE POOLS, KELP FORESTS, AN



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1 ANCIENT SEA CAVE, A WHALE AND DOLPHIN EXHIBIT AND MUCH MORE.  
2 IT'S OPEN DAILY FROM 10 A.M. TO 5 P.M. NO SALESMAN WILL CALL.  
3 HAS AN IMPRESSIVE TEAM OF OVER 100 VOLUNTEERS THAT SERVE AS  
4 DOCENTS AND TOUR GUIDES. THEY ALSO HOST THE ANNUAL WHALE OF A  
5 DAY CELEBRATION ENJOYED BY THOUSANDS OF VISITORS EVERY YEAR  
6 THAT MARKS THE PASSAGE OF THE CALIFORNIA GRAY WHALE ON ITS  
7 JOURNEY BETWEEN GULF OF MEXICO AND THE ARCTIC WATERS. SO ON  
8 BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES, WE WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT  
9 THIS WONDERFUL AWARD FROM THE OPEN SPACE. THE COUNTY OPEN  
10 SPACE AND REGIONAL PARK SYSTEM. KIND OF HEAVY. BUT  
11 CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES AND ITS  
12 WONDERFUL INTERPRETIVE CENTER. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, WE'LL CALL ON YOU  
15 IF YOU HAVE SOME CHILDREN WAITING AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,  
16 YOU HAVE YOUR SCHOOLS.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST A SECOND. LET ME FINISH.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES, WE'D  
21 LIKE TO THANK DON AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND WELCOME ALL  
22 THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OUT TO THE INTERPRETIVE CENTER.  
23 ENJOY THE TRAILS. IT'S A GREAT PLACE AND WE LOVE IT. THANK YOU  
24 VERY MUCH.

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1   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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3   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, THANK YOU. I KNOW THAT OUR  
4   STUDENTS FROM CALABASAS HIGH SCHOOL HAVE BEEN VERY PATIENT AND  
5   WE APPRECIATE THAT. BUT I'D LIKE TO INVITE THEM UP TO GET A  
6   SPECIAL PRESENTATION FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AS THEY  
7   WALK UP, I'LL DESCRIBE A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHY WE'RE HONORING  
8   THEM. THIS CALABASAS HIGH SCHOOL GROUP OF VOLUNTEER STUDENTS  
9   IS BEING HONORED FOR THEIR EFFORTS TO FORM A NONPROFIT, TEENS  
10  AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ORGANIZATION, WITH A MISSION OF  
11  ENDING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND STRENGTHENING FAMILIES. THEY WORK  
12  ON VARIOUS FUNDRAISERS AND ENROLL OTHERS TO DONATE GOODS AND  
13  RESOURCES, TO ASSIST VICTIMS LIVING IN DOMESTIC SHELTERS. THEY  
14  WERE INSPIRED TO TAKE ACTION BY THE COUNTY'S DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
15  HANDBOOK. THE HANDBOOK KNOWN AS "IT SHOULDN'T HURT TO GO HOME"  
16  AND STATISTICS THAT OVER 3 MILLION INCIDENTS, 3 MILLION  
17  INCIDENTS ARE REPORTED ANNUALLY OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND  
18  THOSE REPORTED, OF THOSE REPORTED, 4,000 PEOPLE ARE KILLED BY  
19  THEIR PARTNER. SO THIS GROUP OF STUDENTS, UNDER THE ABLE  
20  LEADERSHIP OF THEIR PRINCIPAL, VINCE JANTS, WHO IS WITH US  
21  TODAY, BUT IT'S ABOUT THE STUDENTS WHO TOOK THE INITIATIVE ON  
22  THEIR OWN TO TRY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD AND  
23  STARTING IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITY OF CALABASAS, AND WE  
24  APPRECIATE THAT VERY MUCH. THIS IS NOT SUCH A SMALL EFFORT  
25  HERE, BUT OUT OF RELATIVELY SMALL EFFORTS, BIG THINGS CAN



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1 HAPPEN. SO WE WANT TO HONOR YOU. I THINK WHAT WE'LL DO IS  
2 SINCE YOU'RE SO PERFECTLY LINED UP, THERE MUST BE SOMETHING IN  
3 THE WATER IN CALABASAS, BECAUSE NOBODY ELSE IN THE COUNTY  
4 KNOWS HOW TO DO WHAT YOU'VE JUST DONE, WE'LL PRESENT YOU WITH  
5 THESE CERTIFICATES IN A MOMENT. BUT I WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE  
6 NAMES, CALL YOUR NAMES AND AS I DO, RAISE YOUR HAND SO THAT  
7 EVERYBODY CAN SEE YOU. CHRIS HAZE? MAX DENG? EVAN PLOTKIN?  
8 HOLD YOUR APPLAUSE. RYAN KENDALL? KEVIN KENDALL? TREVOR  
9 KENDALL? TRIPLETS, IS THAT RIGHT? WHY ARE YOU TALLER THAN THE  
10 OTHER TWO? [LAUGHTER.] CHRIS CURTENBACH? KEVIN WONG? HENRY  
11 BLACKHAM? SAMIR AHMED? MAX GASPEN? ALLISON YIP. MEGAN YIP?  
12 TWINS. WHAT DO YOU THINK, I'M BRAIN DEAD? I CAN FIGURE THIS  
13 OUT. MATTHEW GERTS? CATHERINE LIENG LISA LIU. RACHAEL WU.  
14 LUCAS BURHAN. MAX SHUEY, MICHAEL BARTH. TORY KANHAYUA? IS THAT  
15 RIGHT? GOOD. AND SHE IS THE HISTORIAN OF THE GROUP. JOEY  
16 TURNER? SAM FRANK? MICHAEL CUSANO? AND SHAWN DRAPER. GIVE THEM  
17 ALL A GREAT HAND. I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PRINCIPAL,  
18 VINCE JANTS, WE'LL ASK YOU TO SAY A WORD IN A MINUTE. ALL  
19 RIGHT. SPEAKING FOR THE CLASS, IS HENRY BLACKHAM. [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **HENRY BLACKHAM:** WE ARE TEENS AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FROM  
22 CALABASAS HIGH SCHOOL. WE'VE BEEN ACTIVE FOR GOING ON THREE  
23 YEARS NOW. WE STARTED WITH 11 GUYS AND WE'VE EXPANDED. IT'S  
24 REALLY COOL. IT'S BEEN A REALLY AWESOME EXPERIENCE GOING INTO  
25 THESE PLACES, THE SHELTERS AND SEEING THIS FIRSTHAND. YEAH,



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1 IT'S BEEN AWESOME. THANKS FOR RECOGNIZING US HERE. THANK YOU.

2 [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **VINCE JANTS:** CALABASAS HIGH SCHOOL IS CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED  
5 SCHOOL AND A NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL. THE REASON IT HAS  
6 THAT ACHIEVEMENT IS BECAUSE OF STUDENTS LIKE THIS AND THE  
7 PARENTS WHO OBVIOUSLY GAVE THEM THE VALUES THEY HAVE. WE TAKE  
8 PRIDE IN THE SUCCESS OF OUR STUDENTS AND MRS. HAYES HAS BEEN  
9 SO RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EFFORTS THAT HAVE BEEN PUT TOGETHER  
10 HERE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AGAIN I WANT TO CONGRATULATE ALL THE  
13 STUDENTS. WE'LL HAND THESE OUT TO YOU AND TAKE A PHOTO. IN THE  
14 MEANTIME, MR. ANTONOVICH WILL GO ON WITH HIS PRESENTATIONS.  
15 THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHAIRMAN, AT THIS TIME WE WOULD LIKE TO  
18 RECOGNIZE THE BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS FROM THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL  
19 DISTRICT THAT WERE SELECTED. THIS IS THE RECOGNITION PROGRAM  
20 THAT IS NOW IN ITS 23RD YEAR, AND IDENTIFIES AND HONORS THE  
21 STATE'S MOST EXEMPLARY AND INSPIRING SCHOOLS WITHIN THE  
22 CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL AWARD. PARTICIPATION IS  
23 VOLUNTARILY. THE AWARD IS HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER BY SCHOOLS IN  
24 ALL PARTS OF OUR STATE, ELEMENTARY, SECONDARY AND RECOGNIZED  
25 DURING ALTERNATIVE YEARS. FOR THE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR, 839



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1 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS AND WERE IDENTIFIED  
2 FOR ELIGIBILITY ON THE BASIS OF THEIR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE,  
3 INDEX AND ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS RESULTS. ALL APPLICANTS  
4 UNDERWENT A VERY RIGOROUS SELECTION PROCESS CONDUCTED BY THE  
5 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. WITH THE HELP OF MANY  
6 LOCAL EDUCATORS FROM ACROSS THE STATE, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR  
7 COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS OF EDUCATION SERVICES ASSOCIATION. OF  
8 THE 79 SCHOOLS IN OUR COUNTY THAT RECEIVED THIS PRESTIGIOUS  
9 RECOGNITION, 26 ARE LOCATED IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL  
10 DISTRICT. THESE REMARKABLE SCHOOLS HAVE SHOWN GREAT GAINS CAN  
11 BE ACCOMPLISHED BY HAVING HIGH EXPECTATIONS OF OUR CHILDREN  
12 AND GOOD FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT. REPRESENTATIVES FROM  
13 TEN OF THOSE SCHOOLS ARE WITH US HERE TODAY. FIRST WE HAVE THE  
14 ARMASCHUL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS, FROM THE  
15 MONT BONITA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND PRINCIPAL CHRIS ANN  
16 HORSELY IS GOING TO RECEIVE THE PROCLAMATION. [APPLAUSE.]  
17 JOAQUIN, I SHOULD SAY, OAK MESA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE CITY  
18 OF LAVERNE, FROM THE BONITA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND  
19 PRINCIPAL KAREN EVERHART IS GOING TO RECEIVE HER "EMMY".  
20 [APPLAUSE.] FROM THE JOAQUIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF  
21 BURBANK, FROM THE BURBANK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, PRINCIPAL  
22 JUDY HENSON. DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT JOEL SHAPIRO, PRESIDENT OF  
23 THE SCHOOL BOARD LARRY APPLEBAUM AND JENNIFER CASEY,  
24 CURRICULUM SPECIALIST ARE ALL HERE, RIGHT? [APPLAUSE.] FROM  
25 THE NORTH LAKE HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN CASTAIC, FROM THE



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1 CASTAIC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IS BOB RONSENSEN, PRINCIPAL,  
2 AND SUPERINTENDENT JAMES GIBSON. [APPLAUSE.] FROM DUNSMORE  
3 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN GLENDALE ACCEPTING IS THE PRINCIPAL MARY  
4 LAMASA, SUPERINTENDENT DR. MICHAEL ESCUALANTE, WHO IS HERE  
5 AGAIN. HE WAS HERE LAST WEEK. AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT  
6 ALICE PETROSIAN, WHO WAS ALSO HERE LAST WEEK AND IS HERE  
7 AGAIN. REPEAT PERFORMANCE AND CHUCK SANBAR, MEMBER OF THE  
8 SCHOOL BOARD. YOU WEREN'T HERE LAST WEEK. [APPLAUSE.] DON'T GO  
9 AWAY BECAUSE WE HAVE JOHN MIRROR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FROM  
10 GLENDALE UNIFIED AND AMALAE AVEKIAN AND MISS CHRISTINE SEAGO,  
11 ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, WILL BE HERE ALONG WITH THE SAME GROUP.  
12 AND LA CRESCENTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AGAIN FROM THE GLENDALE  
13 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, KEN BISHOP, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY.  
14 RICHARDSON WHITE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. MISS SUZANNE MISSY IS THE  
15 PRINCIPAL WHO'S HERE. OLD CLASSMATE. NOW, FROM STEVENSON RANCH  
16 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN STEVENSON RANCH, ACCEPTING FROM THE  
17 NEWHALL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IS THE PRINCIPAL, CANDICE  
18 FLEECE. SHE IS NOT HERE. BUT WE ARE GOING TO BE SENDING THEIR  
19 SCROLLS. AND ALEXANDER HAMILTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE CITY  
20 OF PASADENA WILL BE ALSO-- IS A RECIPIENT OF THIS AWARD, AS IS  
21 SAN JOSE EDISON ACADEMY. ARE THEY HERE? IN THE CITY OF WEST  
22 COVINA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT K-8 PRINCIPAL, DR. DENISE  
23 PATTEN. [APPLAUSE.] DR. ROBLES? OUR SUPERINTENDENT. HERE WE  
24 GO.  
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1   **DARLENE ROBLES:** AGAIN, THIS IS THE BEST PART OF BEING COUNTY  
2   SUPERINTENDENT IS TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE GREAT WORK OF ALL THE  
3   PRINCIPALS, STAFF AND PARTICULARLY THE TEACHERS AND AGAIN THE  
4   LEADERSHIP OF EACH DISTRICT. AS THE SUPERVISOR SAID, IT IS A  
5   VERY COMPETITIVE COMPETITION AND ONE THAT IS VERY PRIZED BY  
6   ALL THE SCHOOLS. WE HAD 79 SCHOOLS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
7   REPRESENTING 28 DISTRICTS. SO AGAIN, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY  
8   OFFICE OF EDUCATION, CONGRATULATIONS FOR EVERYONE HERE. THANK  
9   YOU, SUPERVISOR. [APPLAUSE.]

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11   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHILE THEY'RE TAKING THAT PICTURE, I'D LIKE  
12   TO CALL FORWARD ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, DEAN  
13   EFSTATHIOU. WE HAVE OUR ACTING DIRECTOR HERE. AND EACH YEAR  
14   NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK REMINDS US OF JUST HOW VALUABLE  
15   PUBLIC WORKS IS WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES. FROM THE DESIGN,  
16   BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE OF OUR PUBLIC WORKS INFRASTRUCTURE,  
17   TO PROVIDING WATER QUALITY AND STEWARDSHIP OF THE ENVIRONMENT,  
18   PUBLIC WORKS IS A VITAL PART OF OUR DAILY LIFE. THE LOS  
19   ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS STANDS FIRM ON THEIR  
20   MISSION TO ENHANCE COMMUNITIES THROUGH RESPONSIVE AND  
21   EFFECTIVE PUBLIC WORKS. WE OWE A GREAT DEAL OF GRATITUDE TO  
22   THE DEDICATED PERSONNEL WHO STAFF OUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.  
23   IT IS A GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THIS SCROLL AS WE  
24   PROCLAIM MAY 18TH THROUGH 24TH, 2008 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS





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1 WEEK THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. [APPLAUSE.] WOULD YOU PLEASE MAKE  
2 SOME REMARKS FOR US?

3

4 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** SUPERVISOR, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU VERY  
5 MUCH FOR PROCLAIMING MAY 18TH THROUGH THE 26TH AS NATIONAL  
6 PUBLIC WORKS WEEK. WE WILL RECOGNIZE ALL THE PROFESSIONALS  
7 THAT HAVE DEDICATED THEIR LIVES TO DESIGN, BUILD AND MAINTAIN  
8 FACILITIES FOR ALL THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK  
9 YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO NOW CALL FORWARD DR.  
12 BRUCE CHERNOF. DR. CHERNOF, WHERE ARE YOU? HE JOINED LOS  
13 ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES IN 2004 AS A  
14 SENIOR MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT. AS THE SENIOR  
15 MEDICAL DIRECTOR, HE SUCCESSFULLY NEGOTIATED NEW AFFILIATION  
16 AGREEMENTS WITH THREE UNIVERSITIES AND SIGNIFICANTLY  
17 STRENGTHENED THE CLINICAL OVERSIGHT OF THE MEDICAL STAFF. IN  
18 MAY 2006, DURING A DIFFICULT TIME FOR THE DEPARTMENT, AFTER  
19 BEING THE ACTING DIRECTOR SINCE JANUARY 2006, HE WAS APPOINTED  
20 AS THE DIRECTOR. WE'RE CERTAINLY GRATEFUL FOR THE TIME DR.  
21 CHERNOF HAS SPENT AT D.H.S. AND EXTREMELY PLEASED WITH HIS  
22 ACCOMPLISHMENTS. OBVIOUSLY WE DID NOT WANT TO SEE HIM GO  
23 BECAUSE HE'S BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN A NUMBER OF STRATEGIC  
24 INITIATIVES, SUCH AS THE HEALTHY WAY L.A. INITIATIVE, THE  
25 CREATION OF A SOUTH L.A. MEDICAL SERVICES PRESERVATION FUND,



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1 THE STRENGTHENING OF THE COUNTY'S COMMUNITY HEALTH PLAN,  
2 MANAGED CARE PROGRAM, THE DESIGNATION OF CARDIAC CENTERS TO  
3 IMPROVE THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SYSTEM AND THE INTEGRATION AND  
4 COORDINATION OF SERVICES FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS,  
5 INCLUDING HOMELESS, MENTALLY ILL, CHILDREN IN THE WELFARE  
6 SYSTEM. WITHOUT A DOUBT, DR. CHERNOF HAS EARNED THE RESPECT  
7 AND ADMIRATION OF HIS COLLEAGUES WITHIN THE COUNTY AS WELL AS  
8 THE HEALTHCARE COMMUNITY AND ALL WHO HAVE WORKED WITH HIM.  
9 WE'RE SAD TO SEE HIM GO, BUT WISH HIM NOTHING BUT THE BEST AS  
10 HE VENTURES ON TO HIS NEXT JOURNEY OF LEADERSHIP. IT IS WITH  
11 GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO DR. BRUCE  
12 CHERNOF. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BEFORE HE SPEAKS ARE LET ME SAY A WORD. I  
15 THINK YOU'RE A CONSTITUENT OF MINE, IS THAT CORRECT? THAT'S  
16 WHY I TREATED YOU SO GENTLY ALL THESE YEARS. [LAUGHTER.] I  
17 REALLY AM SORRY TO SEE, BRUCE, SEE YOU LEAVE, AS I TOLD YOU. I  
18 THINK THIS IS A-- I THINK THE HEALTH DIRECTOR'S JOB IS MAYBE  
19 THE TOUGHEST JOB CERTAINLY IN THIS ORGANIZATION AND MAYBE ONE  
20 OF THE TOUGHEST JOBS IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR ANYWHERE IN THE  
21 COUNTRY. I THINK YOU ACQUITTED YOURSELF WELL. UNFORTUNATELY  
22 YOU WEREN'T HERE LONG ENOUGH. I GIVE YOU AN INCOMPLETE GRADE  
23 BECAUSE I REALLY THINK TWO YEARS IS NOT LONG ENOUGH FOR YOU TO  
24 HAVE MADE THE KIND OF IMPACT WHICH I THINK WE ALL THOUGHT YOU  
25 WOULD MAKE. BUT EVEN IN THAT TWO-YEAR PERIOD, I THINK THE



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1 CLARITY WITH WHICH YOU SPOKE TO ISSUES, THE  
2 STRAIGHTFORWARDNESS, THE CONFIDENCE I THINK WAS WELCOME HERE.  
3 AND IT CERTAINLY WAS WELCOME BY ME. AND I'VE ALWAYS VALUED  
4 YOUR ADVICE AND YOUR INPUT ON A WHOLE VARIETY OF ISSUES, FROM  
5 HEALTHCARE FINANCE TO MY HAMSTRING PULL AND EVERYTHING IN  
6 BETWEEN. AND I'LL TELL YOU THAT MY HAMSTRING IS NO BETTER OFF  
7 THAN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S FINANCES AFTER ALL THESE YEARS.  
8 BUT YOU HAVE BEEN A GREAT, GREAT FRIEND TO ALL OF US. AND YOU  
9 WILL BE MISSED. I WISH THERE WERE NOT THESE FOUNDATIONS OUT  
10 THERE THAT WERE STEALING OUR PEOPLE. YOU'RE THE SECOND ONE.  
11 BUT WE WISH YOU WELL.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ALSO INDICATE THAT I THOUGHT BRUCE DID  
14 A VERY GOOD JOB. IT WAS TOO SHORT. HE SHOULD NOT BE GOING, AS  
15 I TOLD HIM IN MY OFFICE. HE WAS, IN MY OPINION, ONE OF THE  
16 BEST HEADS OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN MY TENURE ON THIS  
17 BOARD. HE SPOKE WITH CLARITY AND TOOK DECISIVE ACTION AND MADE  
18 THE NECESSARY CHANGES DECISIVELY AND WITH BOLDNESS AND WE  
19 APPRECIATED YOUR LEADERSHIP. BUT AGAIN IT WAS TOO SHORT. WE  
20 HOPE THAT THROUGH YOUR INVOLVEMENT NOW WITH THE FOUNDATION  
21 THAT YOU'LL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE SOME DIRECTION TO THE ISSUE OF  
22 HEALTHCARE, NOT JUST COUNTY AND STATE BUT NATIONALLY TO ENSURE  
23 THAT WE HAVE A QUALITY SYSTEM, BOTH IN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE  
24 SECTOR.

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1   **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I JUST WANTED TO BEGIN BY THANKING ALL OF  
2   YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE. WORKING WITH THE FIVE OF YOU  
3   HAS BEEN AN INCREDIBLE JOY. PEOPLE THINK THIS IS A REALLY HARD  
4   JOB, AND IT IS. BUT WE HAVE WORKED TOGETHER TO FACE REALLY  
5   DIFFICULT ISSUES. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I VALUE AND  
6   RESPECT ABOUT ALL FIVE OF YOU IS THAT WE'RE ABLE TO KEEP OUR  
7   EYE ON WHAT THE GOALS ARE. THERE MAY BE MANY PATHS TO A  
8   SOLUTION. OFTENTIMES THOSE PATHS ARE ALL DIFFICULT. WE'RE NOT  
9   ALWAYS BLESSED WITH EASY PATHS. BUT TOGETHER WE FACED  
10  IMPORTANT CHALLENGES TOGETHER. AND I REALLY RESPECT EACH OF  
11  YOU FOR YOUR HELP DOING THAT DIFFICULT WORK. THIS WAS A VERY  
12  DIFFICULT DECISION FOR ME. THERE ARE VERY FEW LARGE HEALTHCARE  
13  FOUNDATIONS IN LOS ANGELES, REALLY ONLY A COUPLE. AND THIS  
14  WILL BE THE THIRD. IT WILL BE THE SECOND LARGEST FOUNDATION IN  
15  THE COUNTRY FOCUSING ON SENIOR HEALTHCARE ISSUES. AND SO MUCH  
16  OF WHAT I TRIED TO DO IN THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN TO FOCUS ON  
17  OPERATING AS A SYSTEM AS OPPOSED TO A CONFEDERACY OF PROGRAMS  
18  OF HOSPITALS AND CLINICS AND TO REALLY WORK ACROSS  
19  DEPARTMENTS. I THINK THE THINGS THAT WE DO TOGETHER TO CROSS  
20  BOUNDARIES, IT IS THE WHITE SPACE BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS IN THE  
21  ORGANIZATIONAL CHART WHICH MAKES LIFE DIFFICULT FOR THE  
22  CONSTITUENTS THAT WE ARE ALL TRYING TO SERVE TOGETHER. WE HAVE  
23  DONE SOME AMAZING THINGS WITHIN OUR CLUSTER AND ACROSS OUR  
24  CLUSTER, WORKING TOGETHER TO SHARE INFORMATION AND TO TAKE  
25  CARE OF THE MOST VULNERABLE AND FRAGILE INDIVIDUALS HERE IN



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1 LOS ANGELES. AND I REALLY WANT TO COMMEND MY FELLOW DEPARTMENT  
2 HEADS FOR THAT WORK AND ENCOURAGE THAT WE CONTINUE THAT WORK.  
3 I WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT AND ACKNOWLEDGE MY ENTIRE EXECUTIVE  
4 TEAM. WE HAVE DONE AMAZING THINGS IN THE LAST 3 1/2 YEARS,  
5 PARTICULARLY THE LAST TWO. NOBODY DOES THAT ALONE. PEOPLE WERE  
6 HERE SOMETIMES 24 HOURS A DAY TO GET CERTAIN KINDS OF WORK  
7 DONE, AND I REALLY RESPECT THAT. IF I TRY TO NAME EVERYBODY,  
8 I'LL MISS SOMEBODY SO I'M NOT GOING TO GO THERE. I WANT TO  
9 TELL ALL OF YOU THAT YOU ARE IN EXTRAORDINARY HANDS. I AM  
10 INCREDIBLY PROUD OF BOTH DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF WHO WILL BE  
11 STEPPING IN AS THE INTERIM DIRECTOR AND DR. ROBERT SPLAWN WHO  
12 WILL BE STEPPING IN AS THE INTERIM CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER, BOTH  
13 OF WHOM WHO HAVE SERVED ME INCREDIBLY WELL DURING THEIR TIME  
14 WITH ME IN THE DEPARTMENT AND I KNOW THAT THIS TRANSITION WILL  
15 BE A SMOOTH ONE. I WANT TO TAKE ONE MOMENT AND JUST  
16 ACKNOWLEDGE A COUPLE FOLKS WHO TEND NOT TO GET ACKNOWLEDGED.  
17 LEELA KAPUR, YOU AND ALL OF THE HEALTH TEAM, ALL OF THE  
18 LAWYERS WHO WORK SO HARD WITH US ON MANY, MANY DIFFICULT  
19 ISSUES. AND WHILE RAY USUALLY GETS THE FIRST SEAT AND GETS THE  
20 RECOGNITION, ED AND ANITA AND RICH AND SHARON, ALL THE FOLKS  
21 ON YOUR TEAM WHO HAVE HELPED MY DEPARTMENT, YOU REALLY HAVE  
22 BEEN PART OF OUR TEAM AND I APPRECIATE THAT. DAVID JANSSEN,  
23 WHO IS NOT HERE, WHO WAS VERY HELPFUL IN MY TRANSITION DURING  
24 TURBULENT TIMES. AND HOW LUCKY WE ARE TO HAVE BILL FUJIOKA,  
25 WHO HAS BROUGHT INCREDIBLE LEADERSHIP AND SUPPORT TO THIS



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1 DEPARTMENT AS WE MOVED FORWARD WITH DIFFICULT ISSUES. FINALLY  
2 I JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE ALL OF THE WONDERFUL EMPLOYEES, ALL  
3 21,000 EMPLOYEES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, BECAUSE  
4 YOU ALL DO THE REALLY DIFFICULT WORK. YOU ARE THERE FOR OUR  
5 PATIENTS. THAT'S WHY WE COME HERE EVERY DAY. THE QUALITY OF  
6 CARE THEY DESERVE AND NEED IS WHAT MAKES US SPECIAL. THANK YOU  
7 ALL VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND WE ARE VERY, VERY SAD TO SEE HIM GO. WE  
10 WISH HE COULD STAY. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO GIVE HIM A GIFT RIGHT NOW  
13 BECAUSE WE HAVE LITTLE SAMMY, A LITTLE TERRIER MIX.  
14 [LAUGHTER.] HE LIKES DOCTORS, I'VE BEEN TOLD. THIS IS LITTLE  
15 SAMMY. HE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. THIS IS ANOTHER DISNEY  
16 POTENTIAL. ANYBODY WHO IS WATCHING AT HOME CAN CALL 552-728-  
17 4644 OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE. AND HE'S FOUR MONTHS OLD.  
18 LITTLE BOY. HE'S KIND OF A SERIOUS LITTLE THINKER. HOW ABOUT  
19 IT, DON? BEAUTIFUL.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK I'M UP FIRST. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF  
22 ITEMS THAT-- FIRST I'LL DO MY ADJOURNMENTS. I MOVE THAT WE  
23 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DETECTIVE JEFFREY RAND,  
24 HAWTHORNE POLICE OFFICER, DETECTIVE AND DECORATED EX-MARINE  
25 WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY ON MAY 3RD AT THE AGE OF 34. HE





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1 ENTERED THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE IN 1999 AND HIS UNIT WAS  
2 CALLED TO DUTY AFTER THE ATTACK OF 9/11. HE WAS RESPONSIBLE  
3 FOR HELPING REBUILD THE IRAQI POLICE FORCE IN KARBALA. HE  
4 ORIGINALLY JOINED THE L.A. POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 1997 BEFORE  
5 JOINING THE HAWTHORNE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 2001. HE SERVED ON  
6 THE HAWTHORNE POLICE DEPARTMENT S.W.A.T. TEAM BEFORE  
7 RESIGNING. HE RECENTLY RETURNED TO THE DEPARTMENT, OBTAINED A  
8 NEW POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT'S DETECTIVE BUREAU. HE LEAVES  
9 TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY, HIS WIFE, DIANA, HIS MOTHER KATHLEEN  
10 AND SISTER HEATHER ALONG WITH A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS.  
11 AND I KNOW ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WANT TO JOIN ME AS WE  
12 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DALLAS JONES, WHO PASSED AWAY THIS PAST  
13 WEEKEND AFTER A VALIANT FIGHT AGAINST CANCER. DALLAS SERVED  
14 THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY FOR 32 YEARS AS A FIREFIGHTER  
15 WITH THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, WHICH INCLUDED 16 YEARS  
16 AS LOCAL 1014'S PRESIDENT. AFTER HIS TENURE WITH THE COUNTY,  
17 HE WENT ON TO SERVE THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AS  
18 THE DIRECTOR OF GOVERNOR DAVIS'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICE,  
19 WHERE HE DIRECTED AND REFINED STATEWIDE EMERGENCY RESPONSE  
20 DURING FLOODS, EARTHQUAKES AND MAJOR FIRES, FREEZES AND EVEN  
21 AN OUTBREAK OF THE EXOTIC NEW CASTLE DISEASE. HE ALSO DIRECTED  
22 ANTI-TERRORISM PLANNING, PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE OPERATIONS  
23 IN THE WAKE OF THE 9/11 TERRORIST ATTACK. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH  
24 HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE LILY, SONS BRIAN AND MICHAEL AND DAUGHTER  
25 ANNA. I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT, YOU KNOW, WE WOULD HAVE LIKED TO



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1 HAVE HAD THE FLAGS AT HALF MAST FOR DALLAS BECAUSE HE SERVED  
2 HIS STATE AND HE SERVED THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AS A  
3 FIREFIGHTER FOR SO MANY YEARS. HOWEVER, SOME OF OUR  
4 REQUIREMENTS, HE'S NOT PRESENTLY A FIREFIGHTER WHO DIED IN THE  
5 LINE OF DUTY. FOR THAT REASON, WE AREN'T HAVING THE FLAG AT  
6 HALF STAFF, BUT CERTAINLY ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS  
7 ANGELES MOURN HIM AND CERTAINLY WISH THE BEST TO HIS FAMILY.  
8 AND LAR RICHARDSON, THE FATHER OF THE HONORABLE CONGRESSWOMAN  
9 LAURA RICHARDSON WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY. HE LEAVES TO  
10 CHERISH HIS MEMORY, HIS DAUGHTER, CONGRESSWOMAN LAURA  
11 RICHARDSON, GRANDSON IRA MINOR III, ALONG WITH A HOST OF  
12 FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SO ORDERED. I WOULD LIKE TO BRING IN ONE  
13 MOTION. AND I'M GOING TO ASK IF IT COULD POSSIBLY BE  
14 CONSIDERED AS AN EMERGENCY. FOR SOME TECHNICAL REASON IT DID  
15 NOT GET ON THE AGENDA. IT WAS A TECHNICAL PROBLEM. AND IT IS  
16 TO PROCLAIM SATURDAY, MAY 17TH, AS ARMED FORCES DAY. SO I'D  
17 LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE CONSIDER THIS AS AN EMERGENCY. TWO-  
18 THIRDS. MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT  
19 OBJECTION. SO ORDERED. AND I WOULD MOVE THAT WE PROCLAIM  
20 SATURDAY, MAY 17TH, 2008, AS ARMED FORCES DAY. WITHOUT  
21 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF ITEMS THAT WERE  
22 HELD BECAUSE WE DIDN'T HAVE FOUR VOTES. AND WE ALSO HAVE ONE  
23 ITEM THAT WE WANTED, NUMBER 11, THAT WE JUST HELD EVEN THOUGH  
24 SOMEONE WAS NOT ASKING IT. SO I'LL CALL UP ITEM 8, 9, 11, 14  
25 AND 31, WHICH WERE ALL ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR. MOVED BY



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1 KNABE, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
2 WE HAVE TWO ITEMS THAT ARE BEING HELD BY THE PUBLIC. I'LL CALL  
3 UP ITEM NUMBER. 1 FIRST. AND THE ITEM WE JUST HEARD DID  
4 INCLUDE ITEM 11, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH SECONDED THE CONSENT  
5 CALENDAR. ITEM NUMBER 1 WAS HELD DR. CLAVREUL.

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7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THESE ARE THE APPOINTMENTS, RIGHT?

10

11 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I HAVE THE  
12 SAME OBJECTION I HAVE EVERY TIME ON THE H.I.V. COMMISSION  
13 PRESENTS INDIVIDUALS TO BE NOMINATED TO THE H.I.V. COMMISSION.  
14 THIS IS NOT THEIR PREROGATIVE TO NOMINATE PEOPLE. IT IS YOUR  
15 PREROGATIVE. AND I WISH, AS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, YOU TOOK  
16 THAT UNDER RECOMMENDATION AND DO IT.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DR. CLAVREUL, YOU HAVE NUMBER 17, ALSO. SO  
19 NUMBER 1 IS MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED--

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I'M SORRY. ON ITEM NUMBER 1, SUPERVISOR  
22 ANTONOVICH HAD REFERRED BACK THE APPOINTMENT, HIS APPOINTMENT  
23 TO VASKEN YARDEMIAN TO THE GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR  
24 CONTROL DISTRICT. AND ALSO RONNIE SNYDER TO THE COMMISSION ON



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1 H.I.V. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTED A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE  
2 ON THAT.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ON RONNIE SNYDER IT'S CONTINUED ONE  
5 WEEK. AND THEN SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S APPOINTMENT IS REFERRED  
6 BACK.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THEN THE MOTION?

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY  
11 YAROSLAVSKY; WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THE REMAINDER.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL, YOU WERE HOLDING  
14 ITEM 17, AS WELL.

15

16 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, I WANT TO AGAIN OBJECT TO HAVE  
17 ALL THE ITEMS I SIGN UP FOR TO BE CALLED AT THE SAME TIME.  
18 THIS IS DEFINITELY A VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT. WE ARE  
19 ENTITLED TO SPEAK AT THE TIMES THE ITEMS ARE PRESENTED. IT  
20 MAKES A FARCE OF THE PUBLIC INPUT AS WELL AS YOURS. LAST WEEK  
21 WHEN WE WATCHED A TAPE, IT WAS VERY OBVIOUS THAT SUPERVISOR  
22 YAROSLAVSKY AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH DIDN'T EVEN KNOW SOME OF  
23 THE ITEMS HAD BEEN DEALT WITH. IT MADE LOOK LIKE FOOLS. AND SO  
24 I THINK FOR THE BENEFIT OF EVERYBODY TO QUOTE THEM ON THE TIME  
25 THEY ARE PRESENTED WOULD BE THE THING TO DO.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ITEM 17, ARE THERE ANYONE ELSE WHO IS  
3 REQUESTING TO BE SPEAK? ARE THERE ANY COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD?  
4 DR. CLAVREUL?

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6 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** AS USUAL, WE DON'T HAVE THE R.F.P.  
7 DONE ON TIME. THAT'S WHY WE'RE ALLOCATING THIS CONTRACT AGAIN.  
8 AND YOU KNOW HOW I FEEL ABOUT THAT. YOU KNOW, I THINK IT'S  
9 ABSURD. YOU ARE A COUNTY. YOU HAVE BEEN FOR A LONG TIME AND  
10 MANY OF YOU SPEND YOUR LIFE ON THIS BOARD, YOU SHOULD HAVE--  
11 INCLUDING THE PEOPLE WHO WORK FOR YOUR DEPARTMENTS. SO I THINK  
12 YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO PUT R.F.P. ON TIME AND STOP GIVING MONEY  
13 OUT TO EVERYBODY WHEN YOU FEEL LIKE IT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.  
14 THAT'S \$6 MILLION.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY  
17 MOLINA; WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. I HAVE NO OTHER ITEMS.  
18 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE A COUPLE OF ADJOURNING  
21 MOTIONS. FIRST OF ALL THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ZELMAN  
22 KATZ, A YOUNG MAN OF 16 YEARS OF AGE AND A LIFE- LONG RESIDENT  
23 OF THE TOPANGA CANYON PORTION OF MY DISTRICT, WHO TRAGICALLY  
24 SUCCUMBED TO RESPIRATORY FAILURE AFTER A VALIANT SIX MONTH  
25 STRUGGLE WITH COMPLICATIONS FROM A CONGENITAL HEART CONDITION.



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1 HE HAD ATTENDED TAFT HIGH SCHOOL WHERE HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE  
2 BAND AND PLAYED IN THE DRUM CORPS. HE WAS VERY GIFTED  
3 MUSICIAN, A TALENTED COOK, RENOWNED AMONG HIS FRIEND AND  
4 FAMILY FOR HIS GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR AND ZEST FOR LIFE. HE IS  
5 SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, MARLENE FRANCE AND BEN KATZ, A  
6 BROTHER KIEFER AND A SISTER, MONICA. ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN  
7 IN THE MEMORY OF A LIFE LONG FRIEND OF MINE, ESTHER FRIEDMAN  
8 SINCLAIRE, WHO PASSED AWAY ON SUNDAY AFTER A 21-YEAR BATTLE  
9 WITH BREAST CANCER. SHE COURAGEOUSLY BATTLED THE DISEASE WHILE  
10 RAISING TWO CHILDREN, SEEING THEM MATURE TO ADULTHOOD. SHE AND  
11 I WERE PARTICIPANTS IN YOUTH GROUPS TOGETHER WHEN WE WERE  
12 YOUNG, WENT TO COLLEGE TOGETHER. SHE BECAME A PH.D., GOT HER  
13 PH.D. AT U.S.C. AFTER GRADUATING FROM UNDERGRADUATE FROM  
14 U.C.L.A. WAS A PSYCHOLOGIST FOR MANY YEARS, WAS ON THE FACULTY  
15 OF THE U.C.L.A. SCHOOL OF MEDICINE. THAT'S A VERY SAD, SAD  
16 THING TO REPORT THAT ESTHER HAS PASSED AWAY. I ALSO WANT TO  
17 ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LARRY LEVINE, WHO WAS A  
18 RECORDING ENGINEER, WHO HELPED TRANSLATE THE GRANDIOSE SONIC  
19 VISION OF RECORD PRODUCER PHIL SPECTOR TO SOME OF THE BIGGEST  
20 SELLING AND MOST INFLUENTIAL OF THE ROCK ERA, WHO DIED ON  
21 THURSDAY AT THE AGE OF 80, ON HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY AS A RESIDENT  
22 OF ENCINO. HE SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LYNNE, AND SONS RICK, ROB  
23 AND MICHAEL CHILDREN, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN AND A SISTER JOYCE  
24 BLACK. ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HARLAN HAHN, A  
25 RESIDENT OF SANTA MONICA AND A LONG TIME U.S.C. PROFESSOR OF





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1 POLITICAL SCIENCE AND CHAMPION OF DISABILITY RIGHTS. WHO  
2 SUCCESSFULLY SUED THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TO  
3 IMPROVE ACCESS FOR DISABLED PEOPLE CAMPUS-WIDE. DIED OF A  
4 HEART ATTACK AT HIS HOME IN SANTA MONICA AT THE AGE OF 68. HE  
5 IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER EMILY AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND  
6 MANY FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, WHAT ARE WE STILL HOLDING? WHY  
11 DON'T WE TAKE UP 33? MR. ANTONOVICH.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** COULD THE DEPARTMENT COME FORWARD? PUBLIC  
14 WORKS DEPARTMENT? DID YOU WANT TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS?  
15 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, DID YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ON 33? COULD THE  
16 DEPARTMENT PLEASE COME FORWARD? PUBLIC WORKS?

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE WE DONE ALL THE FOUR-VOTE ITEMS?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU MIGHT WANT TO GIVE SOME INFORMATION ON  
23 THIS. WE HAVE SOME MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ASKED TO SPEAK.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON 33 I DON'T THINK SO. BUT WE DO ON NUMBER  
2   7. HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE ASKED TO SPEAK ON NUMBER. 7?

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4   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** TWO, I BELIEVE.

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6   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, DID YOU HAVE SOME  
7   QUESTIONS?

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9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I NEED THE DEPARTMENT.

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11   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, THEY'RE HERE, OKAY.

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13   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE FIRST QUESTION IS UNDER CURRENT LAW,  
14   COULD THE COUNTY PUT THE VOTE BEFORE THE VOTERS A MEASURE TO  
15   INCREASE THE PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS FOR THE FLOOD CONTROL  
16   DISTRICT? OR IS THIS SLOWLY A DECISION THAT HAS TO BE MADE BY  
17   THE GOVERNING BODY?

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19   **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR. I'D LIKE TO  
20   ADDRESS THAT. WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT HERE IS REALLY A BENEFIT  
21   ASSESSMENT OR A FEE, THE COUNTY'S TAXING POWER IS LIMITED BY  
22   PROP. 13. AND IF WE GO FOR A FEE OR AN ASSESSMENT, THE COUNTY  
23   CAN ONLY IMPOSE THAT WITHIN THE INCORPORATED AREAS OF THE  
24   COUNTY, SOME OF WHICH ARE NOT WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE  
25   FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT ITSELF.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ONLY PART THAT IS NOT INCLUDED WOULD BE  
3 PORTIONS OF ANTELOPE VALLEY?

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5 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THAT'S RIGHT.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THE REST OF THE COUNTY IS INCLUDED IN THE  
8 DISTRICT.

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10 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IN THAT SECTION, COULD WE PLACE THIS  
13 BEFORE THE VOTERS FOR A VOTE?

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15 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** YES, WE COULD.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, THAT'S THE QUESTION. WOULD THE VOTE BE  
18 CONSOLIDATED WITH THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED ELECTION SO IT WOULD  
19 ACTUALLY BE ON THE BALLOT WHEN PEOPLE VOTE? OR DOES THAT HAVE  
20 TO BE A SPECIAL ELECTION?

21

22 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** WELL, RIGHT NOW WHAT WE'RE PROPOSING IS A  
23 FEE. AND IF WE PROCEED WITH A FEE--

24



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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I KNOW. YOU'RE RECOMMENDING A FEE. AND I'M  
2   ASKING IF WE CAN ALLOW THE PEOPLE TO HAVE A VOICE IN THE TAX  
3   THAT WOULD BE LEVIED ON THEM IF SUCH A TAX WAS TO BE PASSED.

4

5   **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** IF IT'S A FEE, IT CAN BE ON A BALLOT AT A  
6   GENERAL ELECTION. IF IT'S A BENEFIT ASSESSMENT, IT MUST BE BY  
7   A MAILED BALLOT AT A TIME OTHER THAN AN ELECTION.

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9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THE VOTE WOULD BE  
10   REQUIRED? A MAJORITY VOTE OR TWO-THIRDS VOTE BY THE PEOPLE?

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12   **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** IF IT'S A FEE, IT WOULD BE-- IN A MAILED  
13   BALLOT, IT WOULD BE A MAJORITY OF THOSE CASTING BALLOTS. AND  
14   IT WOULD BE LIMITED TO PROPERTY OWNERS. OTHERWISE YOU COULD  
15   ALSO PUT IT TO THE GENERAL ELECTORATE AND IT WOULD BE A TWO-  
16   THIRDS VOTE OF THE GENERAL ELECTORATE.

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18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO IF IT WAS A MAILED BALLOT TO REGISTERED  
19   PROPERTY OWNERS, IT WOULD REQUIRE MAJORITY VOTE.

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21   **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** AN THAT IS CORRECT.

22

23   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IF IT WAS TO ALL CITIZENS ELIGIBLE TO  
24   VOTE IT WOULD BE TWO-THIRDS VOTE

25



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1   **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THAT'S CORRECT. THE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT IS A  
2   LITTLE DIFFERENT BECAUSE THE VOTES ARE WEIGHTED BASED UPON  
3   EACH PARCEL'S PROPORTIONAL SHARE OF THE FINANCIAL BURDEN.

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5   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF THE ACTION BENEFITS THE OTHER 84 CITIES  
6   WITHIN THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, WHY IS IT THAT THE COUNTY  
7   IS THE ONLY ONE PUTTING UP THE \$4.8 MILLION TO FUND THIS  
8   EFFORT?

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10   **LARI SHEEHAN:** MADAME CHAIR, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, LARRY  
11   SHEEHAN WITH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE. WE BROUGHT THIS  
12   FORWARD AS BASICALLY HAVING A BOARD AND THE COUNTY BE REGIONAL  
13   LEADERS IN THIS. WE HAVE NOT ASKED ANY OF THE 84 CITIES TO  
14   PARTICIPATE. OBVIOUSLY WE COULD DO THAT. BUT IN ORDER TO MOVE  
15   FORWARD WITH THIS, IT WAS PROPOSED AS A PART OF THIS YEAR'S  
16   BUDGET THAT THE COUNTY WOULD FUND THIS EFFORT AND BECOME THE  
17   REGIONAL LEADERS.

18

19   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHO MADE THAT DECISION?

20

21   **LARI SHEEHAN:** WELL, THE BUDGET WAS APPROVED BY THE BOARD. AND  
22   WE DID BRING THAT RECOMMENDATION FORWARD AT THAT TIME.

23



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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU'RE SAYING THE BOARD'S DECISION WAS TO NOT  
2   HAVE THE OTHER 84 CITIES PARTICIPATE IN THIS. BUT THE BOARD  
3   WOULD ASSUME ALL THE COSTS?

4

5   **LARI SHEEHAN:** FOR THIS PART OF THE PROGRAM, YES.

6

7   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. HAVE YOU APPLIED OR ARE YOU SEEKING  
8   GRANT FUNDS TO ADDRESS THE COSTS OF STORM WATER CLEANUP?

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10   **LARI SHEEHAN:** MR. PESTRELLA FROM THE DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS  
11   WILL ANSWER THAT QUESTION.

12

13   **MARK PESTRELLA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YES. IN  
14   FACT, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ACTING FOR THE COUNTY AND  
15   THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, HAVE SECURED \$11.3 MILLION IN  
16   GRANT FUNDING FROM BOTH THE STATE, MOSTLY STATE SOURCES, SINCE  
17   2003 AND WE CONTINUE TO PURSUE GRANT FUNDING FOR  
18   IMPLEMENTATION OF WATER QUALITY PROJECTS.

19

20   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE ANY OF THOSE GRANTS ABLE TO BE  
21   APPLIED TO THE \$4.8 MILLION THAT YOU WANT THE COUNTY TO PUT  
22   UP?

23

24   **MARK PESTRELLA:** NO. THERE IS NO CURRENT GRANT FUNDING FOR THAT  
25   TYPE OF EFFORT.





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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. FUJIOKA, IS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT  
3 IMPOSING MASSIVE COSTS ON THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT AND THE  
4 COUNTY RELATIVE TO STORM WATER CLEANUP? AND DOES OUR EFFORTS  
5 IN WASHINGTON INCLUDE ANY EFFORTS TO SECURE FEDERAL FUNDING TO  
6 OFFSET THESE COSTS?

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AS PART OF OUR ANNUAL FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE  
9 AGENDA, WE PURSUE WHATEVER FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE TO ADDRESS NOT  
10 ONLY THIS BUT ALSO STORM WATER. UNFORTUNATELY, I DON'T BELIEVE  
11 THERE'S ANY SPECIFIC FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR THIS CLEAN WATER  
12 INITIATIVE. THE REALITY IS THAT, IF WE DON'T MOVE FORWARD  
13 SOON, AND I WOULD RECOMMEND WE MOVE FORWARD NOW, THAT WE'LL BE  
14 FACED WITH LITIGATION, WHERE THE COSTS WE'RE RECOMMENDING  
15 TODAY PALE IN COMPARISON.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE QUESTION THAT WE'RE BEING ASKED TO SPEND  
18 \$4.1 MILLION IN GENERAL FUND MONEY TO RESEARCH THE FEASIBILITY  
19 OF PUTTING A FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT PARCEL TAX ON THE BALLOT.  
20 UNDER EXISTING STATE LAW, THE COUNTY NOT EVEN AUTHORIZED TO  
21 INITIATE A PARCEL TAX. UNDER EXISTING STATE LAW, THE COUNTY  
22 COULD GO TO THE VOTERS ON A BALLOT AND ASK FOR AN INCREASE IN  
23 THE PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT. FOR THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT  
24 BUT THE STAFF IS RECOMMENDING RATHER THAT WE SPEND THIS \$4.1  
25 MILLION TO PURSUE A PARTIAL TAX THAT ISN'T EVEN AUTHORIZED



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1 UNDER EXISTING STATE LAW. AND IF THIS MOVES FORWARD, A VOTE BY  
2 MAIL WOULD OCCUR ONLY. AND THE VOTES OF THOSE RETURNING  
3 BALLOTS WOULD BE COUNTED. THIS IS NOTHING SHORT OF AN END RUN  
4 AROUND THE VOTERS IN AN EFFORT TO MAXIMIZE THE CHANCE OF  
5 SECURING THIS PASSAGE. WHAT THE COUNTY OUGHT TO BE DOING IS  
6 APPEALING THE RIDICULOUS RULINGS OF THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY  
7 BOARD TO THE STATE WATER RESOURCES AGENCY. AND WHAT THE COUNTY  
8 OUGHT TO BE DOING IS CHALLENGING THE REGIONAL BOARD'S RULINGS  
9 IN THIS LEGAL SYSTEM. THE COUNTY NEEDS TO BE LOBBYING OUR  
10 EFFORTS BOTH AT THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL TO PAY FOR STORM  
11 WATER CLEANUP AND THE SPENDING OF THIS MONEY FROM THE GENERAL  
12 FUND AT A TIME WHEN OUR VARIOUS NEEDS THAT ARE NECESSARY TO  
13 PROVIDE VITAL SERVICES OUGHT NOT BE COMING FROM OUR GENERAL  
14 FUND. I WOULD PREFER TO SEE THIS MONEY USED FOR ADDITIONAL  
15 PUBLIC SAFETY, FOSTER CHILDREN PROGRAMS, LIBRARIES AND OTHER  
16 VITAL SERVICES THAT WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR, WHEN THERE ARE  
17 OTHER AVENUES THAT WE COULD BE SEEKING THESE DOLLARS INSTEAD  
18 OF GOING RAIDING OUR GENERAL FUND.

19  
20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** DO YOU WANT TO SPEAK TO THE AMENDMENT THAT HAS  
21 TO--?

22  
23 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I JUST WOULD ADD THAT  
24 WHILE I SUPPORT-- I THINK WE ALL DO-- WATER CLEANUP, I CAN'T  
25 SUPPORT THIS ITEM OR ANY ITEM LIKE IT UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT



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1   THERE ARE SOME REASONABLE CAPS PLACED ON THE COST. YOU KNOW,  
2   THERE'S A THING CALLED THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE THAT'S  
3   CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO BRING IN. BUT AS OF RIGHT NOW, THE  
4   WATER QUALITY BOARD SAID THE SKY'S THE LIMIT. COSTS SHOULD NOT  
5   HAVE ANY BEARING. AND FOR US TO SPEND THIS KIND OF GENERAL  
6   FUND MONEY TO ANTICIPATE SOMETHING THAT I THINK, AS WELL, THAT  
7   IS AN END RUN AROUND THE VOTERS IS JUST NOT RIGHT OR FAIR. BUT  
8   MORE PARTICULARLY I WOULD ASK, ARE WE MAKING ANY PROGRESS WITH  
9   EITHER THE STATE OR WATER CONTROL BOARDS ON THE MAXIMUM EXTENT  
10  POSSIBLE? THE STAFF FROM PUBLIC WORKS, C.E.O.?

11

12  **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, IF I MAY ADDRESS PART OF  
13  THAT. WE DID CHALLENGE THE STATE AND WE LOST ON THAT. THERE'S  
14  A NEW PERMIT COMING DOWN THE ROAD. AND WE'LL HAVE TO SEE WHAT  
15  THOSE TERMS ARE. BUT WE MAY CHALLENGE THAT, AS WELL. BUT SO  
16  FAR, WE'VE BEEN DOING WHAT WE CAN IN TERMS OF LEGAL CHALLENGES  
17  FOR THE BASIS, SCIENTIFIC CHALLENGES AND ALSO CLAIMS FOR  
18  REIMBURSEMENT FOR STATE-MANDATED COSTS TO THE EXTENT THAT THE  
19  REGULATIONS THAT ARE BEING IMPOSED ON US ARE OVER AND ABOVE  
20  THE FEDERAL REGULATIONS.

21

22  **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, BECAUSE UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT THEY DEAL WITH  
23  THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE, THE COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS IS  
24  REALLY UNBALANCED. IT'S REALLY UNFAIR. AND THEN TO ATTEMPT TO  
25  JUST SORT OF ROLL OVER, EVEN THOUGH WE'VE APPEALED ON CERTAIN



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1 OCCASIONS, SORT OF ROLL OVER AND TRY TO DO WHAT I THINK IS AN  
2 END RUN ON THE TAXPAYER I DON'T THINK IS FAIR TO THE TAXPAYER.  
3 SO I CAN'T SUPPORT THIS ITEM.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, IF I CAN JUST SAY A WORD ON  
6 THIS. THIS HAS HAD A LONG SAGA. I'M NOT SURE THAT WE'RE DONE  
7 WITH IT YET. BUT LEAVING ASIDE THIS ISSUE THAT'S BEFORE US  
8 TODAY, WHICH I THINK HAS BEEN ADEQUATELY DISCUSSED BY THE  
9 COUNTY COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT, WE HAVE A PROBLEM, WHETHER  
10 YOU AGREE WITH THE WATER QUALITY BOARD, REGIONAL WATER QUALITY  
11 BOARD OR NOT, AND I DON'T ALWAYS AGREE WITH THEM, WE HAVE A  
12 PROBLEM IN OUR OCEAN WITH STORM WATER RUNOFF AND OTHER KINDS  
13 OF RUNOFF THAT GOES INTO OUR OCEAN. THE BEACHES FROM THE  
14 VENTURA COUNTY LINE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY LINE FROM TIME TO  
15 TIME HAVE TO BE CLOSED DOWN FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. SOME OF  
16 THEM ARE CHRONICALLY POLLUTED, CHRONICALLY POLLUTED. SOME OF  
17 THEM WE HAVE TO INFORM AND ADVISE PEOPLE NOT TO GO SWIMMING IN  
18 THEM BECAUSE THEY CAN GET SICK FROM IT. IT'S THE KIND OF THING  
19 WE SEE NORMALLY IN THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES. THIS ISN'T A THIRD  
20 WORLD COUNTRY. AND YET WHEN IT COMES TO THE CLEANLINESS OF ONE  
21 OF THE PRIMARY ECONOMIC ASSETS OF THIS REGION, WHICH IS OUR  
22 COASTLINE, BOTH FROM A FISHERY STANDPOINT AND THE ECONOMIC  
23 IMPACT, THE POSITIVE ECONOMIC IMPACT THAT THE BEACHES HAVE ON  
24 ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES ALONG THE COASTLINE, WE SORT OF TURNED  
25 OUR BACK ON IT OVER THE DECADES. IT'S NOT SOMETHING RECENT.



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1 NOW, I THINK WHAT'S BEING SUGGESTED HERE IS TO GIVE US THE  
2 TOOLS, WITH OR WITHOUT A REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
3 ISSUING ITS EDICTS, TO DO WHAT WE NEED TO DO TO CLEAN UP THE  
4 OCEAN AND TO PREVENT CRUD FROM GOING FROM OUR CITIES AND FROM  
5 OUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS INTO THE OCEAN. THAT'S NOT DEBATABLE.  
6 THAT WE HAVE A PROBLEM, IS NOT DEBATABLE. HOW BIG OF A PROBLEM  
7 IT IS WE CAN DEBATE UNTIL THE COWS COME HOME, BUT WE'VE GOT TO  
8 DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WHAT YOU'RE  
9 TALKING ABOUT HERE WOULD BEGIN TO APPROACH SOLVING THE  
10 PROBLEMS THAT THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD HAS, OR  
11 THE MITIGATIONS THAT THEY HAVE REQUIRED UPON US OR THAT THEY  
12 ARE LIKELY TO REQUIRE UPON US IN THE FUTURE. THIS DOESN'T  
13 BEGIN TO SCRATCH THE SURFACE. SO WE'LL HAVE OUR BEEFS WITH  
14 THEM IN TERMS OF COST AND MAYBE ON POLICY, AS WELL. BUT THIS  
15 ONLY GETS OUR FOOT IN THE DOOR TO TRY TO STEM THE TIDE, NO PUN  
16 INTENDED, OF POLLUTION IN OUR COASTLINE. WE HAVE A LONG WAY TO  
17 GO ON THIS. AND WHAT THIS IS, I UNDERSTAND IT, DESIGNED TO DO  
18 IS TO GIVE US THE EXPERTISE. FRANKLY, I THINK THE EXPERTISE IS  
19 SITTING AT THAT TABLE AND AT THIS TABLE. AND WE'LL BUTTRESS  
20 THAT EXPERTISE TO GIVE US A ROAD MAP OF HOW TO GET THERE, OF  
21 HOW TO GET TO WHERE WE WANT TO GO. WE WILL HAVE PLENTY MORE TO  
22 TALK ABOUT ON THIS BEFORE IT GOES TO A VOTE AND WHAT KIND OF A  
23 VOTE IT IS AND THAT SORT OF THING. SO ONE THING I THINK IS  
24 CLEAR, I JUST WANT TO BE SURE IT'S UNDERSTOOD, THAT ONE WAY OR



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1 ANOTHER, PEOPLE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO VOTE ON THIS; IS THAT  
2 CORRECT? EITHER BY MAIL OR AT ELECTION?

3

4 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** IF YOUR BOARD DECIDES.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF WE DECIDE WE WANT TO IMPOSE A FEE, WE  
7 CAN'T IMPOSE IT WITHOUT EITHER THROUGH A BENEFIT ASSESSMENT, A  
8 VOTE OF THE ASSESSEES, OF THOSE WHO WILL BENEFIT, AS WE DO SO  
9 MANY OTHER THINGS, OR A DIRECT VOTE OF THE PEOPLE IF IT'S SOME  
10 OTHER FUNDING MECHANISM; CORRECT?

11

12 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THAT'S CORRECT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT THE BOARD CAN IMPOSE  
15 UNILATERALLY WITHOUT ANY VOTE.

16

17 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** PROP. 218 WOULD GOVERN ANY VOTE.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. AND I WOULDN'T SUPPORT SOMETHING LIKE  
20 THIS WITHOUT THE PUBLIC SUPPORT. YOU NEED TO HAVE THE PUBLIC  
21 SUPPORT IN ORDER TO MAKE SOMETHING LIKE THIS HAPPEN. ANYWAY,  
22 I'M SUPPORTING THIS. I'M ACTUALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING  
23 WHAT THE NEXT GENERATION OF-- THE NEXT ITERATION OF  
24 INFORMATION THAT COMES FORWARD. THIS IS AN EXTREMELY  
25 COMPLICATED THING. AND I WANT TO COMMEND MR. PESTRELLA, FOR





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1 THE WORK HE'S DONE, FOR QUITE A WHILE NOW, IN TRYING TO TEE  
2 THIS THING UP. AND LARI SHEEHAN OF THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND MR.  
3 FUJIOKA AND THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL. I  
4 MEAN, THERE'S GOING TO BE-- FOR US, IT'S GOING TO BE TESTING--  
5 BLAZING NEW TRAILS. AND I THINK WE NEED TO BE AWARE OF THAT  
6 AND WE NEED TO BE CAREFUL, BUT NOT SO CAREFUL THAT WE'RE  
7 AFRAID TO DO WHAT WE NEED TO DO.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'D JUST LIKE TO MAKE ONE COMMENT AND ASK  
10 ONE QUESTION. MY RECOLLECTION IS THAT WE HAD SPENT OVER \$60  
11 MILLION IN TERMS OF TRYING TO PROVIDE CORRECTIONS, AND THAT  
12 SOME OF THE OTHER CITIES DON'T EVEN HAVE THE CAPACITY IN TERMS  
13 OF THE FINANCIAL CAPACITY TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE  
14 WATER BOARD THAT THEY'VE PUT, THE REGIONAL WATER BOARD. AND  
15 THE POTENTIAL IS FOR FINES AT SOME POINT. SO I DO THINK THAT  
16 WE CAN'T CONTINUE TO JUST CONTINUE TO PUT THE FUNDS AND BEAR  
17 THE WHOLE BURDEN. I THINK THAT'S THE WAY THAT I HAD LOOKED AT  
18 IT. SO I REALLY WOULD LIKE TO GET SOME UPDATE IN TERMS OF THE  
19 OTHER CITIES. WE'VE ALREADY BEEN TO COURT. AND WE HAVE TRIED  
20 TO ADDRESS THIS. SOME CITIES JOINED WITH US, SOME DIDN'T. BUT  
21 I DON'T SEE WHAT ALTERNATIVE WE HAVE.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YOU'RE RIGHT. IF YOU LOOK AT WHAT WE'RE TRYING  
24 TO DO TODAY, THIS IS NOT THE END GAME. THIS IS-- WE'VE TAKEN  
25 SEVERAL STEPS, BUT THIS IS A CRITICAL STEP IN IDENTIFYING WHAT



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1 HAS TO BE DONE AND HOW WE'RE GOING TO FUND THIS INITIATIVE.  
2 THE LITIGANTS IN THIS PARTICULAR AREA WE ALL KNOW ARE VERY,  
3 VERY AGGRESSIVE. THE AMOUNT OF MONEY WE'RE REQUESTING TODAY,  
4 THE \$4.8 MILLION, IS NOT EVEN PENNIES NOT EVEN DOLLARS, BUT  
5 PENNIES ON THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN WHAT IT WILL COST THIS  
6 COUNTY. I KNOW THERE'S A CONCERN THAT THIS MONEY CAN BE SPENT  
7 ON OTHER GENERAL FUND NEEDS. AND WE HAVE MANY, MANY UNMET  
8 NEEDS. BUT WHEN THIS LITIGATION, WHEN THIS ISSUE COMES TO FULL  
9 BLOOM, IT WILL IMPACT OUR ABILITY TO FUND ALL OF OUR GENERAL  
10 FUNDED SUPPORTED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES. THIS IS NOT SOMETHING  
11 WE CAN IGNORE. THIS IS JUST THE FIRST STEP. IF YOU LOOK AT  
12 WHAT WE'RE ASKING FOR, IT SPEAKS TO HOW WE'RE GOING TO FINANCE  
13 THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF LOCAL AND  
14 REGIONAL PROJECTS THAT ADDRESS WATER QUALITY. WHEN WE GET  
15 BEYOND, AS WE MOVE FORWARD IN THIS EFFORT, WE'LL HAVE TO TALK  
16 TO OTHER CITIES AND SAY: "HERE'S YOUR FAIR SHARE." THIS IS THE  
17 FIRST STEP, THE INITIAL ASSESSMENT. THIS IS GOING OUT AND  
18 SAYING "SHALL WE DO THIS? SHALL WE PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT OR  
19 GO THROUGH AN ASSESSMENT PROCESS? " I GUARANTEE YOU, AS WE  
20 MOVE FORWARD, IT'S NOT GOING TO GET BETTER UNTIL WE TAKE  
21 AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS TO FIND HOW WE SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM AND HOW  
22 WE IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF OUR WATER. THIS IS NOT JUST A  
23 COASTAL ISSUE. THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT WILL IMPACT THE ENTIRE  
24 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.

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1    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL EVERYONE WHO IS DOWNSTREAM IS  
2    AFFECTED.

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4    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** EVERYONE WHO IS DOWNSTREAM. BUT THERE'S A  
5    POINT OF ORIGIN. AND THOSE POINTS OF ORIGIN ARE IN EVERY  
6    SINGLE DISTRICT IN OUR COUNTY. AND THOSE POINTS OF ORIGIN WILL  
7    HAVE TO CONTRIBUTE TO HOW WE ADDRESS THIS PROBLEM. AND IT WILL  
8    HAPPEN.

9

10   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER COMMENTS? WE'D CALL  
11   THE ROLL. DID YOU MOVE IT?

12

13   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL MOVE IT.

14

15   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'LL SECOND.

16

17   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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19   **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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21   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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23   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

24

25   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AYE. ITEM 33 IS ADOPTED.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, I'LL CALL UP NUMBER 7. I THINK  
13 WE HAVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THIS ONE.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** TWO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE INDICATED  
16 THEY WISH TO SPEAK. JON NAHHAS AND HANS ETTER. PLEASE STATED  
17 YOUR NAME.

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19 **JON NAHHAS:** SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS JON NAHHAS. I WANT TO SAY  
20 AFTER LISTENING TO THAT, I AM VERY PROUD OF WHAT I HEARD ABOUT  
21 IMPROVING WATER QUALITY ON OUR COAST. AS YOU KNOW, I'VE BEEN  
22 IN FRONT OF THIS BOARD SEVERAL TIMES. I AM A VOTER IN MARINA  
23 DEL REY. L.A. MARINERS WOULD LIKE YOU TO RECONSIDER THE  
24 RECOMMENDATION TO SPEND \$1.3 MILLION ON THE RENOVATION OF THIS  
25 BOAT HOUSE. THIS STRUCTURE WAS TAKEN OVER BY THE COUNTY A FEW



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1 YEARS AGO AND OUR VALUABLE SEA SCOUT PROGRAM WAS TERMINATED.  
2 BEACHES AND HARBORS HAVE USED THIS BUILDING AS A PRIVATE  
3 MEETING HALL FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES ONLY. WE SIMPLY DO NOT NEED  
4 RENOVATIONS FOR A MEETING HALL. THIS MONEY COULD BE SPENT IN  
5 MANY OTHER AREAS NEEDING ATTENTION IN OUR HARBOR. 1.3 MILLION  
6 COULD BE SPENT ON ENFORCEMENT TO CURTAIL THE BLACK MARKET  
7 WHICH PLAGUES MARINA DEL REY. TWO YACHT BROKERS ARE NOW ON  
8 VIDEO STATING THAT THEY DID HAND A CASH ENVELOPE TO ONE OF THE  
9 DOCK MASTERS TO PROCURE SLIPS FOR THEIR CLIENTS. 1.3 COULD BE  
10 SPENT ON TEMPORARY DOCKS, LIKE ON SANTA BARBARA, LONG BEACH  
11 AND DANA POINT, TO HELP THESE BOATERS THAT ARE BEING ASKED TO  
12 LEAVE THE MARINA AND WHEN THE DOCKS ARE GOING TO BE RENOVATED.  
13 THE PUBLIC WAS ASKED TO INVEST IN THESE DOCKS WHEN THEY  
14 OPENED. AND NOW THEY'RE BEING ASKED TO JUST KIND OF FEND FOR  
15 THEMSELVES, AND THAT'S NOT RIGHT. YOU ASKED THEM TO COME, THEY  
16 CAME. AND NOW YOU'RE NOT PROVIDING ANYTHING FOR THEM. 1.3  
17 MILLION CAN BE SPENT ON PROVIDING A MODEL FOR DEVELOPERS IN  
18 THE MARINA WITH OUR NEWLY ACQUIRED DOCKS, PARCEL 47. WE NOW  
19 HAVE THESE BRAND NEW DOCKS WHICH WE CAN OPERATE AT A COST  
20 RECOVERY MODEL AND WE COULD PROVIDE THESE DEVELOPERS AND OUR  
21 LESSEES A GOOD WAY OF DOING BUSINESS. WE THINK OUR COUNTY CAN  
22 PROVIDE GREAT SERVICE, HAVE GREAT LOOKING DOCKS AND HAVE IT BE  
23 DONE AT AN AFFORDABLE COST. 1.3 MILLION COULD BE SPENT ON A  
24 COMPREHENSIVE BOATING STUDY, ASSESSING THE NEEDS OF OUR  
25 HARBOR. WE SHOULDN'T BE GETTING RID OF AFFORDABLE SLIPS BUT



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1    ADDING MORE AFFORDABLE SLIPS AS THE L.C.P. REQUIRES. AT THE  
2    VERY LEAST, WE SHOULD HAVE 1.3 TO HELP REBUILD MARTIN LUTHER  
3    KING. YOU COULD USE THAT 1.3 MILLION TO HELP BUILD THESE  
4    HOSPITALS. OR LIKE WE JUST DISCUSSED, USE THAT 1.3 TO HELP  
5    LOOK AT WATER QUALITY. THERE ARE SO MANY DIFFERENT WAYS THAT  
6    WE CAN USE THIS \$1.3 MILLION, TO SIMPLY HAVE A MEETING HALL, A  
7    PRIVATE MEETING HALL FOR DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS OR  
8    L.A. COUNTY IS JUST LUDICROUS. I'M ASKING YOU FOR YOUR  
9    RECONSIDERATION. THANK YOU.

10

11    **SUP. KNABE:** SO YOU'RE ASKING US TO TAKE THE MONEY OUT OF  
12    MARINA AND PUT IT SOMEPLACE ELSE?

13

14    **JON NAHHAS:** I'VE-- ACTUALLY SEVERAL DIFFERENT ONES ARE HERE ON  
15    MARINA. YES. AT THE VERY LEAST IF \$1.9 BILLION TO REBUILD  
16    MARTIN LUTHER KING, I THINK THAT WOULD BE A MUCH MORE WISELY  
17    SPENT DOLLAR. YES, SIR.

18

19    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S ONLY THE BOAT HOUSE THAT YOU'RE HERE  
20    OPPOSING, IT'S NOT THE REST OF THE ITEMS.

21

22    **JON NAHHAS:** CORRECT.

23

24    **HANS ETTER:** MY NAME IS HANS ETTER. I'M A BOATER IN THE MARINA,  
25    AND I CAN JUST ADDRESS THE WATER PROGRAM AND THE POLLUTION YOU





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1 MENTIONED EARLIER SINCE I AM A FIRSTHAND WITNESS OF MANY OF  
2 THE POLLUTIONS GOING ON IN OUR MARINA. FIRST I WANT TO ADDRESS  
3 THE WATER PROGRAM. THE WATER PROGRAM WAS RUN BY THE SEA SCOUTS  
4 PRIOR TO THE COUNTY TAKING OVER THE BUILDING. I WAS ONE OF THE  
5 VOLUNTEERS THAT DID THAT FOR FREE. I TOOK OUT THE KIDS AND  
6 PARENTS, TEACH THEM HOW TO SAIL. WE MAINTAIN THE VESSELS THAT  
7 WAS KEPT BY THE SEA SCOUTS. IT WAS AT NO COST TO THE COUNTY.  
8 CURRENTLY THE PROGRAM IS NOT ONLY AS A COST TO THE COUNTY,  
9 WHERE THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES ARE DOING THE SAME WORK, AND I'M  
10 SURE THEY'RE DOING A GREAT JOB WITH THEIR LIFEGUARDS. BUT THE  
11 POINT IS THE MONEY YOU ARE GOING TO SPEND ON THE WATER PROGRAM  
12 CAN BE DONE WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. WE BASICALLY HAVE BEEN  
13 CUT OUT FROM ANY KIND OF VOLUNTEER PROGRAM BECAUSE WE DON'T  
14 HAVE ACCESS TO AN ORGANIZATION ANY MORE THAT HAD ACCESS TO THE  
15 WATER AND HAD THEIR OWN BUILDING AND WE COULD VOLUNTEER AT OUR  
16 OWN TIME TO TAKE INNER CITY KIDS OUT AND THE PARENTS OUT FOR  
17 FIRST TIME OF SAILING. I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MANY TIME I HAVE  
18 BEEN OUT, WITH PARENTS AND KIDS, WHO HAVE NEVER SEEN THE OCEAN  
19 AND HAVING A DOLPHIN SURFACING RIGHT NEXT TO MY BOAT OR THE  
20 SEA SCOUTS BOATS AND THEY CAN SEE WILD MARINE MAMMALS IN THE  
21 WATER. THAT'S REALLY A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE THAT VERY FEW PEOPLE  
22 GET TO SEE. WITH REGARDS TO THE POLLUTION YOU TALKED ABOUT,  
23 AND I CAN TELL YOU IT'S REALLY FRIGHTENING. MY BOAT IS A 35-  
24 FOOT ERICSON AND I'M ACTUALLY ANCHORED OUT ON THE OCEAN, CLOSE  
25 TO THE BALLONA CREEK FLOOD CHANNELS WHERE THEY ENTER THE



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1 OCEAN. AFTER EACH RAINSTORM, THE AMOUNT OF TRASH THAT COMES  
2 FLOATING DOWN FROM ALL OUR CITIES IN THE COUNTIES IS  
3 FRIGHTENING. YOU NEED TO OUTLAW STYROFOAM CUPS BECAUSE THE  
4 WATER IS SO THICK WITH STYROFOAM CUPS YOU CAN ALMOST WALK ON  
5 IT ALL THE WAY INTO THE MARINA. THAT'S HOW MUCH STYROFOAM CUPS  
6 THE COUNTY HAS. THROUGH BEACHES AND HARBOR. TWO VESSELS WHERE  
7 THEY SKIM THE WATERS FROM ALL THE WAY INSIDE THE HARBOR OUT TO  
8 THE BREAK WATER. BUT MOST OF THE TRASH GETS LOADED DOWN  
9 TOWARDS THE LAX AND UP ON THE BEACH, THE DOCKWEILER BEACH  
10 WHERE THE COUNTY, BEACHES AND HARBOR HAS TO GO WITH BIG TRUCKS  
11 AND COLLECT IT FROM THE BEACH. I SUGGEST THAT YOU GO AFTER THE  
12 POINT OF ORIGIN AND DO SOME PROSECUTION. YOU NEED TO INCREASE  
13 THE FUNDING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME UNITS. HIRE MORE  
14 INVESTIGATORS, MORE DISTRICT ATTORNEYS TO PROSECUTE AND FIND  
15 OUT WHO IS DOING THIS POLLUTION. I STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT  
16 PEOPLE INTENTIONALLY OR CORPORATIONS ARE DUMPING ALL THE  
17 STYROFOAM CUPS. I'VE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH SOME OF THE DISTRICT  
18 ATTORNEYS IN OUR OFFICE AND I SHOWED THEM WHAT I COLLECTED IN  
19 ONE HOUR. ONE HOUR, I COLLECTED OVER 150 TENNIS BALLS THAT  
20 CAME FLOATING DOWN THE CHANNELS. AND THIS IS JUST ONE HOUR  
21 AFTER THE RAIN STORMS. SO CLEARLY THERE IS A TENNIS COURT  
22 SOMEWHERE, COMMERCIAL TENNIS COURT WHERE THEY'RE PLAYING AND  
23 OF COURSE THEY MISS THE BALLS AND THEY END UP IN THE FLOOD  
24 CHANNELS. BUT THE TENNIS BALLS, OKAY, THEY HAVE A CERTAIN  
25 AMOUNT OF POLLUTION, BUT THE STYROFOAMS THAT THEY GET HERE IS



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1 THE WORST PART OF IT. AND INSTEAD OF SPENDING MONEY ON A  
2 BUILDING, HIRE MORE PROSECUTORS, HIRE MORE INVESTIGATORS AND  
3 THAT WOULD SOLVE YOUR PROBLEM WITH THE REGIONAL WATER BOARD SO  
4 YOU CAN HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE WATER.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, I WOULD JUST-- IF WE CAN PULL OUT  
9 THE MARINA DEL REY ITEMS AS IT RELATE TO THIS ITEM. MOVE  
10 FORWARD TO THE REST OF THEM. CONTINUE THOSE ITEMS.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS IT JUST THE BOAT HOUSE THAT'S ON MARINA  
13 DEL REY? IS THERE ANY OTHER ONE?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** I THINK THE BOAT HOUSE.

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THE SHERIFF'S DOCK?

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** NO. I WANT TO KEEP THE SHERIFF'S DOCK IN THERE. SO  
20 WE'LL PULL OUT THE BOAT HOUSE. HAVE SANTOS REPORT BACK TO US  
21 IN A WEEK. ALSO, THAT WAS A VERY SERIOUS CHARGE IN REGARDS TO  
22 AN ENVELOPE AND MONEY, TOO. I WANT A REPORT BACK AS WELL ON  
23 THAT.

24

25 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THAT IS SERIOUS.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THEN MOVE FORWARD THE OTHER ITEMS.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE WILL CONTINUE FOR ONE WEEK THE  
5 \$1,283,000 FOR THE MARINA DEL REY BOAT HOUSE REFURBISHING. AND  
6 ON THE REMAINDER OF ITEM 7, IT'S MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY  
7 YAROSLAVSKY; WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** BY THE WAY, FOR THAT LAST GENTLEMAN'S INFORMATION,  
10 WE HAVE PASSED AN ORDINANCE ON STYROFOAM AND PLASTIC BAGS, AS  
11 WELL, TOO, HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES, WE HAVE. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU  
14 FINISHED YOURS? SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, I HAVE SOME ADJOURNMENTS, MADAME CHAIR. FIRST  
17 OF ALL, I JUST WANT TO JOIN IN THAT ADJOURNMENT WITH DALLAS  
18 JONES. I KNOW IT'S ALL MEMBERS. BUT HE'S BEEN A LONG TIME  
19 FRIEND AND NOT ONLY WORKING WITH HIM HERE DURING HIS DAYS AT  
20 1014 AND THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT BUT STATEWIDE, SERVING ON  
21 THE CALIFORNIA EMERGENCY COUNCIL AND HE'S JUST BEEN A GREAT  
22 FRIEND. I ALWAYS REMEMBER HIM HOLDING COURT DOWN IN CONTRACT  
23 CITIES WITH THAT GRANDDAUGHTER AT HIS SIDE, AS WELL. SO OUR  
24 BEST AND THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO LILY AND SONS AND DAUGHTERS.  
25 ALSO, JOINING IN WITH SUPERVISOR BURKE ON LARRY RICHARDSON'S



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1 ADJOURNMENT FROM OUR GOOD FRIEND OF THE HONORABLE LAURA  
2 RICHARDSON.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS ON THAT?

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CORPORAL MIGUEL  
9 GUZMAN WHO PASSED AWAY SUPPORTING COMBAT OPERATIONS IN THE AL  
10 ANBAR PROVINCE IN IRAQ. HE WAS 21 YEARS OLD. HE WAS STATIONED  
11 WITH THE COMBAT LOGISTICS BATTALION 1 AT CAMP PENDLETON HE WAS  
12 RAISED IN NORWALK, A GRADUATE OF JOHN GLENN HIGH SCHOOL AND  
13 WILL BE MISSED BY HIS FRIENDS AND FAMILY. AND THAT WAS HIS  
14 GOAL, TO SERVE THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. MIGUEL IS  
15 SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, JOSE AND ROSALBA GUZMAN OF NORWALK.  
16 ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BETH PENDERGRAST WHO PASSED AWAY IN  
17 PALM SPRINGS ON MAY 8TH AT THE AGE OF 101. SHE WAS THE MUCH  
18 BELOVED AUNT OF BETH LOWE, MY APPOINTEE TO L.A.U.P. BETH IS  
19 SURVIVED BY HER NIECES, BETH LOWE OF PACIFIC PALISADES, SARAH  
20 JANE OF WASHINGTON, NEPHEW, BILL JOHNSON OF RIVERSIDE.  
21 NUMEROUS GREAT AND GREAT GREAT NIECES AND NEPHEWS. SHE WILL BE  
22 DEEPLY MISSED. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROSEMARY  
23 GODBEHERE, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. SHE WILL BE SORELY MISSED  
24 BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER  
25 REBECCA. ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. BILL KIMPEL, LONG TIME



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1 RESIDENT OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES, AND PHYSICIAN FOR OVER 50  
2 YEARS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LORI, SONS, ROBERT AND  
3 MICHAEL, GRAND DAUGHTERS ELIZABETH AND LISA. ALSO ADJOURN IN  
4 MEMORY OF CLIFFORD CRAIG WHO PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY ON MAY  
5 2ND. CLIFF WAS THE HEAD INSPECTOR IN THE CONSTRUCTION DIVISION  
6 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. HE PROUDLY SERVED THE  
7 DEPARTMENT, COUNTY AND ITS CITIZENS FOR ALMOST TWO DECADES. HE  
8 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE GLORIA, TWO DAUGHTERS BECKY AND  
9 KRISTINA, TWO SONS, MICHAEL AND DAVID. THEN ALSO WE ADJOURN IN  
10 MEMORY OF PETER PAUL LOTTERY WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 81.  
11 HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND WAS A LOS ANGELES  
12 COUNTY FIREFIGHTER. HE WAS A DEVOTED FAMILY MAN AND DEVOUT  
13 CATHOLIC. HE WAS AN INSPIRATION TO ALL AND HE WILL BE MISSED.  
14 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 56 YEARS, HELEN. HIS FOUR  
15 CHILDREN, CINDY, JEANINE, JULIE, TOM, SIX GRANDCHILDREN, THREE  
16 SISTERS. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, I HELD ITEM NUMBER 12.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ITEM NUMBER 12?

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH. I WANT TO PUBLICLY THANK THE C.E.O. STAFF  
25 FOR WORKING SO CLOSELY WITH THE CITY OF LONG BEACH TO





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1     STRUCTURE WHAT I THINK IS AN INCREDIBLY EFFECTIVE PROGRAM.  
2     UNFORTUNATELY, STUDIES HAVE INDICATED THAT 14 PERCENT OF ALL  
3     HOMELESS VETERANS HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE LOCATED IN  
4     THE LONG BEACH AREA. SO WE WANTED TO BE RESPONSIVE TO A VERY  
5     TROUBLING STATISTIC BUT ALSO WANTED TO PUT A PROGRAM IN PLACE  
6     THAT'S JUST NOT A WAREHOUSE PROGRAM BUT HAS A CLEAR FOCUS AND  
7     OUTCOME OF TRANSITIONING THESE HOMELESS VETERANS INTO SERVICES  
8     AND HOUSING. THIS WAS NOT EASY WORK AND I UNDERSTAND THAT. AS  
9     WE ARE SEEING WITH PROJECT 50, AND OUR HOMELESS FAMILY  
10    PROJECTS THAT OUR FOLKS REQUIRE A LOT OF ATTENTION AND  
11    ASSISTANCE TO GET TO OUR END GOAL, BUT THIS IS WHAT WE NEED TO  
12    DO TO KEEP IT GOING. SO I'M ALSO VERY PLEASED THAT THE V.A.  
13    HAS WORKED WITH H.U.D. TO RELEASE 70 HOUSING VOUCHERS FOR OUR  
14    HOUSING PROGRAM FOR OUR HOMELESS VICTIMS IN LONG BEACH AND  
15    THIS WILL HELP OUR PROGRAM TREMENDOUSLY AND WE PLAN TO LET THE  
16    SECRETARY PEAK KNOW JUST WHAT A DIFFERENCE THAT MADE. SO I  
17    JUST WANT TO THANK YOU AND THEN CONTINUE TO ASK YOU TO WORK  
18    WITH THE CITY OF LONG BEACH TO TRACK SPECIFICALLY WHAT COST  
19    SAVINGS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AND HOSPITALS AS WE START AT THAT  
20    SEE THIS PROGRAM ROLL OUT. AND I'D LIKE MAYBE SORT OF A  
21    MONITORING PROGRAM MAYBE IN SIX MONTHS TO GIVE US A REPORT  
22    BACK. BUT AGAIN I JUST REALLY HELD IT FOR A PUBLIC THANK YOU.  
23    MIGUEL TO YOU AND YOUR STAFF, TO BILL AND OTHERS. THESE FOLKS  
24    HAVE MADE THE ULTIMATE COMMITMENT OF SERVING OUR COUNTRY AND  
25    DESERVE WHAT SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE. BUT YET THEY'RE NOT



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1 WAREHOUSING DECISIONS BUT DECISIONS OF TRANSITION AND  
2 PERMANENCE. SO I WANT TO PUBLICLY THANK YOU ALL OF YOU FOR  
3 YOUR EFFORTS. WITH THAT I WOULD MOVE THE ITEM.

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5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY;  
6 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT MOVEMENT ALSO HAS A REPORT BACK IN SIX  
9 MONTHS.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITH A REPORT BACK.

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15 **SUP. KNABE:** I DIDN'T HOLD ANYTHING ELSE, I DON'T BELIEVE.

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I ALSO WANT TO JOIN IN THE MEMORIAL FOR  
20 DALLAS JONES. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO ALSO WORK WITH HIM. HE  
21 WAS A GOOD FRIEND AND SUPPORTER. WE HAD SO MANY OF THE FIRES  
22 IN OUR AREAS, AND HE WAS ALWAYS A VERY BIG HELP. THEN WHEN HE  
23 WENT TO THE STATE, HE WAS THERE AGAIN HELPING WITH THE  
24 COORDINATION AND ASSISTANCE TO ENSURE THAT THE STATE RESOURCES  
25 WERE ABLE TO COMPLEMENT THE COUNTY AND MUTUAL AID RESOURCES



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1 THAT WE HAD. HE WAS A GOOD FRIEND. AND A DEDICATED PUBLIC  
2 SAFETY LEADER. AND ENHANCED FIRE SERVICE THROUGHOUT NOT JUST  
3 OUR COUNTY BUT THE STATE. ALSO IN MEMORY OF JACK WILLIAM  
4 HEGGER. HE WAS A VETERAN OF WORLD WAR II, FOUNDER OF THE  
5 HEGGER COMPANY, A COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE COMPANY THAT TODAY  
6 OVERSEES A PORTFOLIO OF OVER 5 MILLION SQUARE FEET OF BUSINESS  
7 PROPERTIES. IN 1945, HE WAS DISCHARGED AS A FIRST LIEUTENANT  
8 IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AFTER RECEIVING PURPLE HEART AND  
9 AWARDS FOR HIS AERIAL FLIGHTS. AND WHEN HE CAME BACK HOME, HE  
10 STARTED HIS FAMILY HARDWARE BUSINESS IN EL MONTE, PURCHASING A  
11 PLUMBING STORE AND A COMPANY AND HARDWARE STORE IN MONROVIA.  
12 HE WAS A 50-YEAR MEMBER OF THE ROTARY CLUB AT VERNON, ROTARY  
13 INTERNATIONAL PAUL HARRIS AWARD, WAS ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
14 OF THE L.A. AND BEVERLY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS,  
15 FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE INDUSTRIAL REALTORS AND FOUNDING MEMBER  
16 OF THE AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL REAL ESTATE ASSOCIATION. AND HE  
17 LEAVES HIS WIFE AND TWO SONS AND MANY GRANDCHILDREN. VERA  
18 "BEE" STUEVE, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF MONROVIA HER HUSBAND, ED,  
19 WAS THE COFOUNDER OF ALTA DENA DAIRY. SHE WORKED AS THE  
20 SUPERVISOR FOR THE DAIRY. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE, AS HER FAMILY  
21 HAVE BEEN, AT THE FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MONROVIA. ALSO  
22 STRONG SUPPORTERS OF CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY IN IRVINE. SHE  
23 SERVED ON THE BOARD OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD COMMUNITIES, THAT'S  
24 THE HOME FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES. WAS ACTIVE IN OTHER  
25 CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS. SHE LEAVES TWO DAUGHTERS AND FIVE



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1 GRANDCHILDREN AND A CLOSE AND EXTENDED FAMILY OF 23. BURBANK  
2 POLICE OFFICER RICHARD "DICK" SMALLWOOD WHO JOINED THE  
3 DEPARTMENT IN 1974. IN 1976 HE BECAME THE MOTOR OFFICER AND  
4 FIELD TRAINING OFFICER IN '76, AND THEN A MOTOR OFFICER IN  
5 1981. HE HELD MANY LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN THE COMMUNITY,  
6 MAKING PRESENTATIONS TO CHILDREN AT THE BURBANK SCHOOLS. HE  
7 SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AS A HAWK LAUNCHER CREWMAN  
8 AND WAS AWARDED THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. HE LEAVES  
9 HIS WIFE, NANCY, AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN. IRVINE ROBBINS, ONE  
10 OF GLENDALE'S HEROES, HE OPENED THE FIRST BASKIN-ROBBINS ICE  
11 CREAM FLAVORS BACK IN 1945 IN GLENDALE. THE FIRST STORE TO  
12 SELL ANY ICE CREAM. THE FOLLOWING YEAR HE OPENED BURTON'S ICE  
13 CREAM IN PASADENA. THEN IN 1948, CHOCOLATE MINT WAS ADDED AS  
14 THE 31ST FLAVOR AND THE 31 FLAVOR CONCEPT WAS INTRODUCED TO  
15 BRING ATTENTION TO A DEEP MENU THAT FEATURED A FLAVOR FOR EACH  
16 DAY OF THE MONTH. HE PARTNERED WITH HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW BURTON  
17 BASKIN. IN 1953 THEY SOLD STORES TO THE MANAGERS. WITHOUT  
18 REALIZING IT AT THE TIME, HE STARTED A FRANCHISE BUSINESS. HE  
19 LECTURED ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP AT U.S.C.. HE LEAVES HIS WIFE OF  
20 66 YEARS, IRMA, THREE CHILDREN, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND FOUR  
21 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. LOUIS ROBBINS OF STEVENSON RANCH PASSED  
22 AWAY. HE WAS A TEACHER FOR THE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR  
23 OVER 20 YEARS, A VOLUNTEER AT OUR CAMP SCOTT AND CAMP SCUDDER  
24 SINCE 2001. HE VOLUNTEERED AT LEAST SIX HOURS A WEEK ASSISTING  
25 OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THEIR READING, WRITING AND COMPREHENSION



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1 SKILLS. ALSO TUTORED THE LAST SEVEN YEARS AND WAS AN INTEGRAL  
2 PART OF THE OPERATION R.E.A.D. TEAM. IN 2007 HE WAS SELECTED  
3 AS VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AND RECOGNIZED BY OUR BOARD OF  
4 SUPERVISORS AT THE MUSIC CENTER. HE WORKED WITH HUNDREDS OF  
5 YOUTH, IMPACTED EACH OF THEM IN A POSITIVE WAY. HE IS SURVIVED  
6 BY HIS WIFE MARCIA AND SON AND DAUGHTER. JOE SHUJI NOZAWA, HE  
7 WAS A PROFESSIONAL WRESTLER, ACTOR, STUNTMAN AND REAL ESTATE  
8 INVESTOR. HE GRADUATED FROM LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL, ATTENDED  
9 U.C.L.A. FOR A YEAR UNTIL HE WAS INTERNED AT MANZANAR CAMP  
10 DURING WORLD WAR II. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY.  
11 DURING HIS PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING AN CAREER HE LIVED ACROSS  
12 THE COUNTRY AND HIS ACTING CAREER INCLUDED MOTION PICTURES  
13 INCLUDING TELEVISION "THE KING AND I," "THE BEVERLY  
14 HILLBILLIES" AND "MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE." IN HIS HOMETOWN OF LOS  
15 ANGELES, THESE PAST THREE DECADES, HIS BUSINESS ACTIVITIES  
16 INCLUDED BUILDING, CONTRACTOR, MANAGING AND SELLING PROPERTIES  
17 FROM APARTMENT COMPLEXES TO GOLF COURSES. JOHN LINVILLE,  
18 RETIRED LOS ANGELES DEPUTY SHERIFF SERVED FOR 22 YEARS. THE  
19 LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS A COURT SERVICES BUREAU. AND SERGEANT LOS  
20 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HENRY DAVIS WHO SERVED FOR  
21 31 YEARS. AND HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE CARSON STATION. I  
22 WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT A REWARD BE GIVEN ON A CASE, A TRAGIC  
23 CASE THAT IMPACTED OUR COMMUNITY ON MAY 8TH. LOS ANGELES  
24 COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS RESPONDED TO A CALL IN THE 3200 BLOCK OF  
25 LINCOLN AVENUE IN ALTADENA WHERE THEY DISCOVERED THE BODY OF



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1 EVELYN MOSLEY BESIDE THE HOME SHE SHARED WITH HER DAUGHTER AND  
2 GRANDSON. SHE WAS 90 YEARS OLD. SHE WAS KILLED DURING A  
3 STRUGGLE. AND THE FIRE WAS INTENTIONALLY SET, ACCORDING TO THE  
4 SHERIFF'S HOMICIDE INVESTIGATORS. THEY ARE NOW SEEKING  
5 INFORMATION FROM THE PUBLIC TO ASSIST IN THEIR INVESTIGATION.  
6 SO I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT AN OFFER-- AND THIS IS WITH  
7 SUPERVISOR BURKE AS COAUTHOR-- THAT WE OFFER A \$10,000 REWARD  
8 IN EXCHANGE FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND  
9 CONVICTIONS OF THE PERSON OR PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE  
10 CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST EVELYN MOSLEY AND HER FAMILY ON MAY  
11 8TH, 2008

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY BURKE;  
14 WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WITH THE RECENT TRAGEDIES THAT HAVE IMPACTING  
17 OUR WORLD, EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HAVE BEEN  
18 IMPACTED SOME DIRECTLY BY THE DEVASTATION CAUSED BY TORNADOS  
19 THAT TOUCHED DOWN OVER THE WEEKEND IN OKLAHOMA, MISSOURI AND  
20 GEORGIA. EXAMPLES OF THE DESTRUCTION INCLUDED DESTRUCTION OF  
21 HOUSES, CARS AND BUSINESSES WITH A 20-BLOCK AREA IN OKLAHOMA.  
22 HOMES LIFTED OFF THEIR FOUNDATIONS IN MISSOURI, AND MORE THAN  
23 80,000 PEOPLE WITHOUT POWER IN GEORGIA. WHILE TRYING TO COPE  
24 WITH THESE NATURAL DISASTERS ON AMERICAN SOIL, EMPLOYEES ARE  
25 ALSO FACED WITH COMFORTING FAMILIES AND FRIENDS WHO ARE



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1 VICTIMS OF TWO INTERNATIONAL DISASTERS, CYCLONES IN MYANMAR  
2 AND THE POWERFUL IMPACT OF THE EARTHQUAKE, 7.2 IN SZECHUAN,  
3 CHINA. IN THE PAST, COUNTY EMPLOYEES HAVE DONATED FUNDS TO  
4 HELP VICTIMS OF NATURAL DISASTERS. OUR COUNTY SPECIFICALLY  
5 PARTNERED WITH THE SALVATION ARMY AND WORLD VISION TO PROVIDE  
6 ASSISTANCE DURING TIMES OF EMERGENCY. NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS  
7 ALSO WORK WITH INTERNATIONAL RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE  
8 PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO THE IMPACTED PEOPLE IN MYANMAR AND  
9 CHINA. I MOVE THAT THE BOARD SUPPORT EMPLOYEES' CONTRIBUTIONS  
10 TO HELP THOSE VICTIMS OF NATURAL DISASTERS IN OKLAHOMA,  
11 MISSOURI AND GEORGIA, SUPPORT EMPLOYEES' DONATIONS TO THE  
12 VICTIMS OF THE CYCLONES IN MYANMAR AND EARTHQUAKE IN CHINA AND  
13 REQUEST THAT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OFFICE OF WORKPLACE  
14 PROGRAMS, COORDINATE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR DONATIONS TO  
15 WORLD VISION AND THE SALVATION ARMY TO HELP THOSE VICTIMS.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** FOR NEXT WEEK, RIGHT? THAT CONCLUDES--  
18 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DID YOU DO YOUR ADJOURNMENTS? YOU DIDN'T  
19 HAVE ADJOURNMENTS. OKAY. THAT CONCLUDES ALL ITEMS THAT WE HAVE  
20 BEFORE US, RIGHT?

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MADAME CHAIR, THERE IS THE DISCUSSION  
23 ITEMS, THE PUBLIC HEARING, ITEM 61. AND IF I COULD FIRST SWEAR  
24 IN THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO WILL BE TESTIFYING? IF YOU COULD  
25 STAND JUST RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. IN THE





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1 TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY  
2 AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE  
3 TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. I WOULD  
4 ALSO LIKE TO READ THE SHORT TITLE INTO RECORD. THIS IS A  
5 HEARING TO EXTEND INTERIM EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2008-0012  
6 U TEMPORARILY REGULATING THE USE OF ALL COMMERCIAL ZONED  
7 PARCELS IN THE AZUSA AREA.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** ITEM 61 IS THE PUBLIC HEARING TO EXTEND INTERIM  
10 ORDINANCE NO. 2008-0012 U. THE INTERIM ORDINANCE WAS  
11 ORIGINALLY ADOPTED ON APRIL 1, 2008 TO REGULATE THE  
12 DEVELOPMENT OF COMMERCIAL ZONED PARCELS ALONG ARROW HIGHWAY  
13 BETWEEN VINCENT AVENUE AND CERRITOS AVENUE, BY REQUIRING A  
14 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PRIOR TO SUCH DEVELOPMENT FOR A PERIOD  
15 OF 45 DAYS. THE INTERIM RESTRICTIONS WILL EXPIRE ON MAY 16TH,  
16 2008 IF NOT EXTENDED. THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING IS  
17 RECOMMENDING THAT THE EMERGENCY ORDINANCE BE EXTENDED BY AN  
18 ADDITIONAL 10 1/2 MONTHS TO MARCH 31ST, 2009 WHICH IS THE TIME  
19 ALLOWED UNDER THE GOVERNMENT CODE. REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF  
20 THEREFORE RECOMMENDS THAT AT THE CONCLUSION OF YOUR  
21 DISCUSSION, YOU APPROVE THE EXTENSION OF INTERIM URGENCY  
22 ORDINANCE NUMBER 2008-0012 U FOR A FURTHER 10 1/2 MONTHS TO  
23 ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT TIME TO COMPLETE A ZONING STUDY AND, IF  
24 NEEDED, TO PREPARE A DRAFT PERMANENT REVISION TO THE ZONING



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1 CODE RELATED TO COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE AFFECTED AREA.

2 THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA? ARE YOU MOVING IT? IS

5 THIS THE ONE THAT'S INVOLVED IN A L.A.F.C.O. ISSUE?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S CORRECT.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S THE ONE WHERE THERE WAS ONE PERSON

10 WANTED TO DEVELOP IT AND THEN THE OTHER CITY?

11

12 **SPEAKER:** THREE PARCELS, THREE OF THE 12 PARCELS IN THIS

13 PROJECT HAVE BEEN MERGED WITH THE CITY OF AZUSA'S

14 REDEVELOPMENT PLAN. THE BOARD TOOK THAT ACTION SOME YEARS AGO.

15 AND WE'RE NOW JUST WANT TO ENSURE CONSISTENCY OF PLANNING

16 EFFORTS WITH THAT PLAN.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE A SECOND? WITHOUT OBJECTION? MOVE

19 THAT WE CLOSE THE HEARING. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THE HEARING IS

20 CLOSED. AND THAT THE ORDINANCE BE EXTENDED FOR A PERIOD OF SIX

21 MONTHS.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** 10 1/2 MONTHS.

24

25 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** 10 1/2 MONTHS.



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2 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WITHOUT OBJECTION? SO ORDERED.

5 IS THAT ALL THAT'S NECESSARY? THIS IS A REALLY CAUGHT UP IN A  
6 LOT OF CONFUSION.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA MOVED IT. AND SUPERVISOR  
11 YAROSLAVSKY SECONDED IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION. IS THERE ANYTHING  
12 ELSE THAT WE HAVE BEFORE US?

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC COMMENT.

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PUBLIC COMMENT. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL,  
17 ELLA DODGE AND HELEN PRICE. PLEASE COME FORWARD. DR. CLAVREUL?  
18 ELLA TODD, HELEN PRICE. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

19

20 **HELEN PRICE:** GOOD MORNING. HELEN PRICE.

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22 **ELLA TODD:** ELLA TODD

23

24 **HELEN PRICE:** I AM HERE. I AM THE SUPERVISING COUNSELOR FOR  
25 KING-DREW PLACE OF FAMILY. OUR PARENT AGENCY HAS TERMINATED



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1 OUR CONTRACTS. THEY HAVE TERMINATED THEM IN SUCH A WAY THAT WE  
2 HAVE CLIENTS WHO WILL BE LEFT STANDING UNATTENDED TO. WE HAVE  
3 PEOPLE-- OUR CONTRACT TERMINATES JUNE 30TH. THE CLIENTS ARE  
4 ENROLLED INTO THE PROGRAM FOR UP TO 18 MONTHS. THEY ARE  
5 MANDATED PEOPLE FROM DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
6 SERVICES, SUPERIOR COURT, MUNICIPAL COURT, D.C.F.S. WHAT ARE  
7 THESE PEOPLE GOING TO DO? WE HAVE MET WITH PEOPLE FROM SHIELDS  
8 FOR FAMILIES. WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO TRANSITION INTO THAT  
9 FACILITY WITHOUT A LAPSE WHERE OUR CLIENTS WOULD BE IN  
10 VIOLATION OF THEIR MANDATES.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ARE YOU AWARE THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
13 HAS A MOTION? IS THIS BECAUSE THEY FAILED TO MEET THE DATE?  
14 THEIR APPLICATION CAME IN, THEIR PROPOSAL CAME IN AFTER THE  
15 DATE.

16

17 **HELEN PRICE:** I'M NOT AWARE OF THE APPLICATION PART. WE'RE JUST  
18 AWARE THAT WE WERE TOLD LATE THAT OF THIS TERMINATION. AND  
19 WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO WITH THE CLIENTS? WE ARE PARTIALLY  
20 FUNDED. SOME OF THE PROGRAMS ARE PARTIALLY FUNDED BY THE  
21 COUNTY AND THE STATE. AND WE HAVE FEE FOR SERVICE.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES,  
24 RIGHT?

25



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1 **HELEN PRICE:** ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROGRAMS. CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
2 SERVICES DOESN'T, NO.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WILL SOMEONE SPEAK TO THEM OVER  
5 THERE? DO WE HAVE ANYONE FROM THE DEPARTMENT THAT WILL SPEAK  
6 TO THEM? OKAY. SOMEONE WILL SPEAK TO YOU. ARE YOU BOTH ON THE  
7 SAME PROGRAM? ALL RIGHT. HANS ETTER. JOHN LUCERO.

8

9 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE  
10 CLAVREUL. WELL I WANT TO TALK ABOUT KING-DREW, OF COURSE, AND  
11 ABOUT THE REOPENING. YOU KNOW, WE WERE SUPPOSED TO GET A  
12 REPORT FROM AMES CONSULTANT FIRM BACK IN NOVEMBER. THEN IT WAS  
13 DECEMBER. THEN IT WAS LAST MONTH. WE STILL HAVE SEEN NOTHING  
14 FROM THAT CONSULTING FIRM. YOU KNOW, THIS IS THE PUBLIC-- THE  
15 PEOPLE'S MONEY WILL PAY FOR THAT CONTRACT. IT WILL BE NICE  
16 WHEN WE HAVE KIND OF A VIEW OF WHAT'S GOING ON. YOU KNOW, WHEN  
17 YOU ARE THAT COMPANY, I MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT THEY WERE NOT  
18 KNOWN TO FIND OPERATORS FOR HOSPITALS. THEIR REPUTATION WAS TO  
19 PROVIDE MONEY AND FUNDING TO PURCHASE HOSPITALS AND SO ON,  
20 WHICH, YOU KNOW, AT KING-DREW THAT IS NOT WHAT WE NEEDED. WE  
21 NEEDED PEOPLE WHO WILL BE ABLE TO RUN AND OPERATE THAT  
22 HOSPITAL. I'M ALWAYS AMAZED OF THE KIND OF CONSULTANT WE ARE  
23 HIRING. WE DON'T HAVE THE QUALIFICATION FOR THE JOB WE ARE  
24 REQUESTING. AND WE HAVE MANY MONTHS FROM NOVEMBER, WE HAVE NO  
25 MORE INFORMATION. EVERYTHING IS STILL DONE UNDER CLOSED



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1 SESSION. I THINK IT WOULD BE KIND OF NICE THAT WE ARE PROVIDED  
2 WITH SOME INFORMATION. ANYWAY, I THINK THAT IN L.A. COUNTY,  
3 IT'S PROBABLY TIME THAT WE THINK SERIOUSLY AS GOING TO THE  
4 VOTER AND REQUEST A HEALTH AUTHORITY, BECAUSE WE ARE NOT GOING  
5 TO SEE ANY CHANGE BEFORE THAT. AND I THINK WE GO FROM HEALTH  
6 AUTHORITY TO REDISTRICTING THE COUNTY AND TO EXPENSE FROM 5 TO  
7 9. TODAY WHEN I SAW IN THE DEPARTING OF DR. CHERNOF, AND THE  
8 GUSHY STUFF I HEARD, I FEEL ALMOST LIKE PUKING. THAT IS WHY I  
9 COULD NEVER BE A POLITICIAN BECAUSE I PROBABLY COULD NOT SAY  
10 THE KIND OF THING I HEARD TODAY ABOUT THE WONDERFUL  
11 ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF DR. CHERNOF. SO ANY ACCOMPLISHMENT OF DR.  
12 CHERNOF, HE MADE SURE KING-DREW WAS NOT REOPENED. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NED MCNAMARA ALSO PLEASE COME  
15 FORWARD AND DOVE PINKNEY PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

16

17 **HANS ETTER:** MY NAME IS HANS ETTER. JOHN LUCERO ASSIGNED HIS  
18 MINUTES TO ME. I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S OKAY WITH YOU, BUT I  
19 THINK I WILL BE OKAY WITH THREE MINUTES. THE NUMBER ONE ISSUE  
20 I WANT TO ADDRESS HERE IS THE PUBLIC'S ACCESS TO THE MARINA.  
21 AND WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE TO YOU IS THAT YOU INCREASE  
22 THE AMOUNT OF DAYS THAT WE AS BOATERS CAN RENT TEMPORARY BOAT  
23 SLIPS IN BURTON CHACE PARK. CURRENTLY WE CAN ONLY RENT SEVEN  
24 DAYS IN A MONTH. AND IF YOU INCREASE THAT, NOT ONLY TO SAY  
25 THREE WEEKS IN A MONTH, YOU CAN TRIPLE INCOME. THE BEACHES AND



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1 HARBOR COULD FINANCE THE BOAT HOUSE AND MANY OTHER PROJECTS  
2 THAT THEY HAVE WITH THE KIND OF MONEY. I ESTIMATED IT CAN TAKE  
3 IN PROBABLY ABOUT \$300,000 A YEAR IF THEY FULLY UTILIZED THE  
4 SLIP. AS OF LAST NIGHT, OUT OF 60 DOCKS, THERE WERE ONLY SIX  
5 BOATS IN THE SLIPS INCLUDING MINE. IN JANUARY, I SPENT ABOUT  
6 \$16,000 IN WINWARD TO HAUL MY BOAT OUT, TO PAINT IT AND MAKE  
7 IT REALLY NICE. AND THE COUNTY MAKES MONEY ON THAT. IF THE  
8 COUNTY HAS THE SAME DRIVE TO PROVIDE SERVICE, TO MAKE MONEY AS  
9 PRIVATE BUSINESS HAS, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO ASK TAXPAYERS FOR  
10 INCREASE IN TAXES. BEACHES AND HARBOR COULD TAKE CARE OF  
11 ITSELF. WE ALSO HAVE ONE DOCK, WHICH IS A DAILY PUBLIC ACCESS  
12 DOCK. MARINA DEL REY IS THE BIGGEST-- OR USED TO BE THE  
13 BIGGEST UNTIL THE COUNTY TOOK OUT 2,000 SLIPS-- THE BIGGEST  
14 MAN MADE MARINA IN THE WORLD. AND THAT DOCK ONLY GIVES US FOUR  
15 HOURS TO COME IN WITHOUT RENTING A SLIP. BUT IF OUR SEVEN DAYS  
16 ARE UP, WE ONLY HAVE THE FOUR HOURS TO COME IN. SO, FOR  
17 EXAMPLE, WHEN I'M COMING HERE TODAY, IF MY BOAT IS OVER AT THE  
18 FOUR-HOUR DOCK AND I'VE BEEN HERE WAITING FOR YOU GUYS TO BE  
19 DONE, MORE THAN LIKELY MY BOAT WOULD BE IMPOUNDED BY THE  
20 SHERIFFS AND I CAN'T MAKE MY TESTIMONY ABOUT IMPORTANT ISSUES.  
21 SO WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE INCREASE FROM FOUR HOURS PER DAY  
22 TILL 24 HOURS AND THEN BE GONE FOR EIGHT HOURS. AND WE'D LIKE  
23 TO SEE MORE OF THOSE DOCKS. USED TO HAVE ONE DOCK LIKE THAT AT  
24 MOTHER'S BEACH. THAT ONE HAS BEEN TAKEN AWAY FROM US. THAT WAS  
25 ONLY 15 MINUTES DOCK. BUT WE COULD DROP OFF PASSENGERS AT THAT





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1 TIME AND PICK UP PASSENGERS ON THAT SIDE OF THE MARINA. IN OUR  
2 OBJECTION I HAVE, IS THAT WE HAVE NO DOCK CARDS BEING PROVIDED  
3 TO US. SO WE ARE PROVIDING, WE HAVE TO PULL OUR GROCERIES  
4 PROVISION DOWN TO OUR BOATS, WE HAVE TO WALK A QUARTER OF A  
5 MILE WHILE THE EMPLOYEES IN BURTON CHACE PARK DRIVE A GOLF  
6 CART. IT'S REAL OFFENSIVE TO ME, THE BURTON CHACE PARK SHOULD  
7 NOT BE A COUNTRY CLUB FOR EMPLOYEES. AND THESE ARE YOUNG KIDS.  
8 THEY CAN WALK. IT DOESN'T HURT THEM. IT'S A SMALL PARK. I HAVE  
9 MANY OTHER ISSUES. BUT I ALSO WANT TO ASK DON KNABE IF-- I WAS  
10 AT THE COASTAL COMMISSION HEARING. WILLIAM BURKE HAD, AT THE  
11 TIME, TESTIFIED THAT HE HAD TALKED TO YOU AND SAID THAT WE  
12 WOULD BE PROMISED TO HAVE A HEARING ON THE LOCAL COASTAL PLAN  
13 PRIOR TO ANY DECISION BEING TAKEN, PUBLIC HEARING. WE'RE STILL  
14 WAITING FOR THAT HEARING. WE WONDERED WHY SOMEBODY IN REGIONAL  
15 PLANNING, THAT WORKS FOR BEACHES AND HARBOR DENIED US THIS. WE  
16 THINK THAT OUR COMMUNITY IS A STAKEHOLDER IN THE FUTURE OF OUR  
17 MARINA AND WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN WITH ALL THE REDEVELOPMENT.  
18 THE \_\_\_\_\_ MANAGEMENT PLAN HAS LESS THAN 5 PERCENT  
19 DEVELOPMENT DEDICATED TO RECREATIONAL PURPOSE.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. SO THANK YOU.

22

23 **HANS ETTER:** SO WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE--

24



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1   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'M SURE THE STAFF PEOPLE CAN TALK TO YOU  
2   ABOUT THAT.

3

4   **SUP. KNABE:** THERE WILL BE A PUBLIC HEARING. IT'S JUST IN THE  
5   PROCESS OF BEING SCHEDULED. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH COASTAL  
6   COMMISSION AS WELL AS BEACHES AND HARBORS. AND YOU KNOW WE'RE  
7   GOING THROUGH A TRANSITIONAL LEADERSHIP OUT THERE. SANTOS IS  
8   GETTING VERY INVOLVED, AS WELL, TOO. SO THERE WILL BE A PUBLIC  
9   HEARING.

10

11   **HANS ETTER:** THANK YOU.

12

13   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MARY DAVIS ALSO COME FORWARD. SIR, STATE  
14   YOUR NAME, PLEASE.

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16   **NED MCNAMARA:** HI, EVERYBODY MY NAME IS NED MCNAMARA. I WANT TO  
17   INTRODUCE MYSELF. I BUILT THIS 65-FOOT SCHOONER. IT TOOK ME 11  
18   YEARS TO BUILD IT IN ABOUT SIX DIFFERENT YARDS THROUGHOUT THE  
19   EARLY '80S TILL I LAUNCHED IT IN '93. I CHRISTENED THE BOAT. I  
20   GOT ON WHAT THEY CALL A WAITING LIST. TO GET A SLIP FOR THIS  
21   BOAT YOU NEED WHAT YOU CALL AN END TIE. AN END TIE IS AT THE  
22   END OF THE DOCK IS A LARGER SPACE FOR A BOAT. WHEN YOU WALK  
23   OUT, THERE'S REGULAR SLIPS. AND AN END TIE. SO YOU GET ON A  
24   ONE TO FIVE YEAR WAITING LIST. THIS IS FROM THE SHERIFF'S  
25   OFFICE, WITH ALL THE DOCK MASTERS YOU CALL THERE, AND YOU CALL



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1 UP AND SAY "HI, I'VE GOT THIS SIZE OF A BOAT. I NEED AN END  
2 TIE. "AND THEY ALL SAY, "WELL, YOU GOT TO GET ON OUR LIST."  
3 "HOW LONG'S THE LIST?" "ONE TO FIVE YEARS." I SERVED MY TIME.  
4 I'VE BEEN LIVING FOR 13 YEARS AT THE MARINA CITY CLUB. I HAD  
5 THE BOAT THERE AT THE MARINA CITY CLUB ON AN END TIE. I GOT  
6 IN. I GOT IN MY END TIE AT THE MARINA CITY CLUB. WELL A NEW  
7 COMPANY COMES DOWN FROM SAN FRANCISCO CALLED ESSEX MANAGEMENT  
8 AND THE FIRST TWO YEARS THEY RAISED US LIKE 40 PERCENT, 20  
9 PERCENT A YEAR. I HAD NO PROBLEM WITH THAT BECAUSE JAY SNYDER  
10 THAT HAD IT BEFORE THAT NEVER REALLY RAISED MY RENT. I THINK  
11 ONE TIME, WHICH IS FINE. BUT THE NEXT THING YOU KNOW, IT'S  
12 LIKE A YEAR-TO-YEAR LEASE. SOMETIMES IT'S MONTH-TO-MONTH AND  
13 YOU GET A YEAR-TO-YEAR. MINE WAS ALWAYS YEAR-TO-YEAR. I GET A  
14 30-DAY NOTICE TO LEAVE. AND I ACTUALLY GOT IT THREE WEEKS  
15 BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH. THEY SERVED ME A WEEK AFTER. SO  
16 LONG STORY SHORT, I'VE BEEN FIGHTING THEM AND I LOST IN SANTA  
17 MONICA. MY BOAT SITS AT WHAT THEY CALL GORDON CHASE PARK. I'VE  
18 BEEN TWO DAYS NOW. I'VE GOT FIVE DAYS LEFT AND I HAVE TO LEAVE  
19 AND FIND AN END TIE. THERE'S NO END TIES IN THE MARINA DEL  
20 REY. AGAIN YOU HAVE TO GET ON A LIST. AND YOU KEEP YOUR END  
21 TIE UNTIL YOU'VE DONE SOMETHING WRONG OR YOU MORE THAN LIKELY  
22 YOU USE THE LEAVE SO YOUR BOAT-- YOU KNOW IT'S LIKE THE  
23 TREASURED THING IN THE MARINA IS TO GET THAT END TIE WITH A  
24 BOAT LIKE MINE. I PAID OVER \$160,000 SO FAR IN RENTS. AND THE  
25 COMPANY, ESSEX MANAGEMENT, HAS A FIRM DOWN HERE WHICH, THEY



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1 LOVE PEOPLE LIKE ME BECAUSE I'M A FIGHTER. I'VE BEEN IN THEIR  
2 FACE. WE HAVE A LONG STACK OF LEGAL THINGS WHERE THE COMPANY'S  
3 BEEN TELLING ESSEX, THEIR LAWYER HAS BEEN TELLING ESSEX,  
4 "DON'T SPEAK TO ANYBODY.: SO YOU GO IN THE OFFICE, ANYBODY  
5 THAT GOES IN THERE GOES "WE CAN'T TALK TO YOU. YOU HAVE TO  
6 TALK TO THE LAWYER." "SO THAT'S WHERE I AM, I NEED HELP.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE WILL HAVE SOMEONE TALK TO  
9 YOU.

10

11 **NED MCNAMARA:** MY FAMILY'S FOUGHT IN ALMOST EVERY MAJOR WAR.  
12 VETERANS. YOU NAME IT. MY UNCLES AND FATHER. IT IS A GREAT  
13 COUNTRY. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** LINA PHILLIP, WOULD YOU COME FORWARD?

16

17 **DOVE SAVAGE PINKNEY:** DOVE SAVAGE PINKNEY. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT  
18 OF THE ISSUE HAVING TO DO WITH FOSTER CARE. IT'S SOMETHING  
19 THAT I AM EXTREMELY PASSIONATE ABOUT. SO I'M HERE BECAUSE OF  
20 MARY DAVIS AND THE DEILAI LU ACHIEVEMENT HOME. AFTER WHATEVER  
21 YOU MIGHT DO TO ASSIST THEM IN THEIR NEEDS TO MAINTAIN THIS  
22 HOME AND TO EVEN ENLARGE IT SO AS TO SERVE ADDITIONAL YOUNG  
23 WOMEN WOULD BE A WONDERFUL CONTRIBUTION TO OUR COMMUNITY. AND  
24 I BEG YOU TO GIVE IT SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. AND I'D LIKE TO  
25 DEFER ANY OTHER TIME THAT I HAVE TO MARY.



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2 **MARY DAVIS:** HELLO. I'M MARY DAVIS. AND I'M FROM DEILAI LU

3 ACHIEVEMENT HOME. SUPERVISOR BURKE AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH

4 AND THE OTHERS, I'D LIKE TO SAY WHAT A WONDERFUL DAY IT HAS

5 BEEN HERE FOR ME, A FORMER EDUCATOR, TO HEAR ALL THE CONCERNS

6 AND ACCOLADES THAT YOU'VE GIVEN FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE SUPPORTING

7 THE FOSTER YOUTH. AND I, TOO, BELIEVE IN SUPPORTING FOSTER

8 YOUTH, WHICH IS WHY AFTER I RETIRED I OPENED A GIRLS' HOME,

9 DEILAI LU ACHIEVEMENT HOME. I'M VERY CONCERNED THAT WE WERE

10 TURNED AWAY IN THE SUBMISSION OF OUR STATEMENT OF

11 QUALIFICATIONS. WE ARRIVED 15 MINUTES LATE. DUE TO SOME

12 INFORMATION THAT I HAD RECEIVED THAT TOLD ME THAT I MUST MAKE

13 ADDITIONAL COPIES AT THE LAST MINUTE, WE WERE MAKING

14 ADDITIONAL COPIES AND THEY CLOSED THE DOOR ON US. WE ARE

15 PREPARED TO CONTINUE OUR PROGRAM. WE WOULD NOT LIKE TO BE ON A

16 DO NOT DEFER LIST. AND WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF SOMEHOW THE

17 SUPERVISORS CAN EXTEND OUR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION DATE SO

18 THAT THOSE OF US WHO ARE PREPARED AND WHO WERE PREPARED ON

19 THAT NIGHT TO SUBMIT OUR QUALIFICATIONS, THAT THEY ACCEPT THEM

20 FOR US. THIS IS-- I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN ADDRESSED BY OTHER GROUP

21 HOMES. WE ALL ARE IN THE SAME DILEMMA. WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT

22 OUR SAFETY OF OUR GIRLS. THE GIRLS WHO HAVE DEVELOPED

23 RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR STAFF. WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE 14

24 STAFF MEMBERS THAT WE HAVE IN THIS ECONOMIC ERA THIS HAVE BEEN

25 VERY, VERY SHORT. WE WANT TO HELP OUR GIRLS AND MAKE THEM



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1 COMFORTABLE. WE'RE CENTRALLY LOCATED IN LOS ANGELES. OUR HOME  
2 IS WHERE THE GIRLS AND THEIR FAMILIES CAN REACH THEM, WHEREAS  
3 IF THEY WERE OUT OF COUNTY, THEY WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO. WE FEEL  
4 THAT WE HAVE A GREAT PROGRAM AND WE SERVE A GREAT NEED. EVERY  
5 WEEK WE ARE RECEIVING CALLS FOR PLACEMENTS, SO NO ONE CAN SAY  
6 TO ME THAT WE DON'T HAVE ROOMS FOR YOUR GIRLS. WE DO NOT NEED  
7 YOUR PROGRAM. WE KNOW THAT THERE'S A TREMENDOUS NEED AND WE'RE  
8 DOING GREAT THINGS AND WE'RE HOPING THAT YOU WOULD CONSIDER  
9 SPEAKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES  
10 AND ALLOWING THEM TO EXTEND THE PROGRAM.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I KNOW WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE HERE. ARE  
13 YOU HERE ON THAT ISSUE, ALSO?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** YES.

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND WE HAVE WILLIE R. SHERMAN, LINDA ALLEN,  
18 WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME FORWARD? NO, STAY RIGHT THERE. WE'RE  
19 GOING TO ASK SOMEONE TO RESPOND TO YOU. LINDA ALLEN, CYNTHIA  
20 WILLIAMS. ARE YOU HERE ON THE SAME ISSUE? WOULD YOU LIKE TO  
21 COME FORWARD? AND CHRISTINE DICK, WE'D LIKE TO GET EVERYONE UP  
22 HERE WHO IS ON THIS SAME ISSUE. WE KNOW YOU ALL HAVE EXCELLENT  
23 FACILITIES. BUT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU HAD A MOTION. AND  
24 DO WE HAVE SOMEONE HERE FROM CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES? AND



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1 ALSO WE HAVE THE COUNTY COUNSEL WHO COULD EXPLAIN THE  
2 SITUATION AS IT NOW STANDS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU WANT ME TO READ THE MOTION TO THEM?

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE BOARD HAD DIRECTED THE C.E.O. IN  
9 CONJUNCTION WITH THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER AND COUNTY COUNSEL AND  
10 D.C.F.S. AND PROBATION TO REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS ON ITS REVIEW  
11 AND ASSESSMENT OF THE GROUP HOME FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY CONTRACT  
12 SOLICITATION, INCLUDING ALL CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH WERE UNIQUE TO  
13 THE APPLICATION OF THIS SOLICITATION, INCLUDING ALL  
14 CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH WERE UNIQUE TO THE APPLICATION OF THIS  
15 SOLICITATION PROCESS, DEVELOPING A CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN  
16 BASED ON FINDINGS AS NECESSARY. AND THIS HAD BEEN PASSED AT  
17 LAST WEEK'S MEETING.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO WE'RE GETTING A REPORT BACK ON WHAT  
20 ALTERNATIVES THERE. WE ARE IN A VERY DIFFICULT SITUATION THAT  
21 THIS HAPPENS ALL THE TIME WHERE PEOPLE MISS DATES. OR MISS  
22 TIMES. YES?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISORS, IT'S NOT ONLY MISSED DAYS. MOST OF US  
25 DIDN'T GET ANY LETTER REQUESTING THIS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. WE





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1 JUST FOUND IT OUT WHEN WE GOT THE LETTER MAILED TO US  
2 REGISTERED WITH RETURNED RECEIPT. SO THERE WAS A DUE PROCESS  
3 BEFORE THEY WERE ASKING FOR THIS STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION.  
4 LIKE, FOR EXAMPLE, WITH MADAME MANOR., I WAS THERE IN OCTOBER  
5 2007. SIGNING FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACT. AND I WAS  
6 THERE. NOTHING WAS MENTIONED THAT THERE WAS AN APPLICATION FOR  
7 REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. AND THE ONLY LETTERS I GOT DURING THAT  
8 TIME, SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2007 AND OCTOBER, WAS THE EXTENSION OF  
9 THE CONTRACT. WE NEVER GOT ANY PAPERS OR ANY LETTERS OR ANY  
10 FAX OR ANY EMAILS THAT THERE IS A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL WHICH  
11 IS GOING TO BE IN THE NEWSPAPER OR ANYTHING. WE WERE NOT  
12 INFORMED ABOUT THAT. WE HAVE BEEN IN OPERATION FOR THE LAST 23  
13 YEARS. THIS WAS A NIGHTMARE. I WAS NUMB WHEN WE GOT THAT  
14 LETTER BECAUSE WE ARE ALWAYS ON TIME IN SUBMITTING ALL THOSE  
15 PAPERS. WE HAVE A GOOD RAPPORT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN  
16 AND FAMILY SERVICES. THESE CHILDREN RIGHT NOW IS IN CHAOS  
17 BECAUSE WHEN WE HAVE TO TALK TO THEM ABOUT THIS. AND THE ISSUE  
18 OF THE TRANSFER TRAUMA ON THESE CHILDREN WILL AFFECT THEM  
19 AGAIN. AND MOST OF THE CHILDREN ARE JUST STABILIZED IN THESE  
20 HOMES. AND NOW WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO BE DOING? WHAT WE'RE  
21 ASKING RIGHT NOW, SUPERVISOR BURKE IS-- AND ALL THE  
22 SUPERVISORS IS-- WE ARE ON DO NOT DEFER STATUS. AND SINCE  
23 THERE'S AN INVESTIGATION GOING ON, WE WANT THAT DO NOT DEFER  
24 STATUS TO BE REMOVED BECAUSE THERE IS A LOT OF SOCIAL WORKERS  
25 CALLING US FOR CHILDREN. IT'S THE CHILDREN AND ALSO THE



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1 EMPLOYEES WORKING. THIS IS THEIR BREAD AND BUTTER. SO WE ASK  
2 FOR YOUR HELP, PLEASE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IS SOMEONE HERE FROM CHILDREN  
5 AND FAMILY SERVICES? YES, WOULD YOU COME UP, ALSO, AND EXPLAIN  
6 WHAT THE SITUATION IS? YOU SEE, THE UNFORTUNATE PART IS THERE  
7 ARE PEOPLE WHO GOT THEM IN. AND IF THERE WAS A MATTER THAT  
8 EVERYBODY MISSED THE TIME, BUT THERE WERE PEOPLE-- AND WOULD  
9 YOU LIKE TO COME FORWARD? AND THERE WERE PEOPLE WHO GOT THEM  
10 IN. AND AS A RESULT WE FACE A REAL LEGAL SITUATION.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** AND, SUPERVISOR BURKE, COULD YOU ADD MORE? MOST OF  
13 THE HOMES THAT WERE ABLE TO GET INTO THEIR PAPERS ON TIME GOT  
14 IT FROM THE WORD OF MOUTH. THEY DID NOT GET ANY PAPERS, FORMAL  
15 LETTERS SPECIFYING ABOUT THE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** I THINK THE THING WE NEED ANSWERED IS THE FACT  
20 THAT THESE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS, THERE WAS NOT  
21 NOTIFICATION. I KNOW WE HAVE A LOT OF HE SAID, SHE SAID KIND  
22 OF THING HERE. BUT I THINK THAT'S PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST  
23 IMPORTANT THINGS.

24



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1   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF NOTIFICATION.  
2   AND THOSE THINGS WILL BE REVIEWED. YES. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE  
3   SOMEONE. WOULD YOU LIKE TO? YES.

4

5   **WILLIE SHERMAN:** YES, MY NAME IS WILLIE SHERMAN. I'M FROM THE  
6   SHERMAN GROUP INC. I AM A PROVIDER. I WANT TO THANK  
7   ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR BRINGING A MOTION. AND I  
8   BELIEVE ALL THE ARGUMENTS THAT WE CAN BRING TODAY, I AM  
9   CONVINCED THAT IT IS GOING THROUGH THIS PROCESS OF THE 30-DAY  
10   REVIEW. WHAT I'M HERE FOR IS, DURING THIS 30-DAY REVIEW, YOU  
11   GOT PROGRAMS SIMILAR TO MINE THAT ARE GOING OUT OF BUSINESS  
12   BECAUSE THERE'S A STOP PLACEMENT PLACED ON OUR PROGRAMS. THE  
13   OTHER THING THAT I'D LIKE TO ADD TO THE EQUATION IS: WE STILL  
14   HAVE UNTIL OCTOBER 31ST TO END THIS-- THAT IS THE DEADLINE OF  
15   THIS CONTRACT. WHY ARE WE PLACED ON A HOLD NOTICE WHEN WE  
16   STILL HAVE SIX MONTHS LEFT ON THE CONTRACT?

17

18   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE SHOULD GET--

19

20   **WILLIE SHERMAN:** AND THE OTHER THING THAT I WOULD LIKE,  
21   SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH TO LOOK AT IS TO AMEND HIS MOTION TO  
22   ALLOW US TO CONTINUE RECEIVING PLACEMENTS. AND IF NOT UNTIL  
23   OCTOBER THE 31ST, AT LEAST UNTIL HIS MOTION HAS BEEN REVIEWED  
24   AND YOUR BOARD HAS RECEIVED SOME INFORMATION REGARDING-- I'M  
25   NOT GOING TO SIT HERE AND TRY TO FEED TO YOU ALL TODAY NOR



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1 SHOULD THE REST OF US SHOULD BE TRYING TO FEED YOU INFORMATION  
2 THAT HIS MOTION IS ALREADY TAKING CARE OF. ONE LAST OTHER  
3 THING. THIS MOTION TO STOP PLACEMENT, I'M LARGER THAN MOST OF  
4 THESE PROGRAMS HERE OR THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED. NOT ONLY DO I  
5 HAVE HOMES IN L.A. COUNTY, I HAVE HOMES IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY  
6 AND KEARN COUNTY. THIS MOTION TO STOP PLACEMENT IS ALSO  
7 AFFECTING MY HOMES OUT OF COUNTY. AND THE RATIONALE IS, THEY  
8 LOOK AT YOUR COUNTY AS BEING SUCH A LARGE COUNTY AND THEY'RE  
9 LOOKING ON THE WEB SYSTEM SEEING THAT THERE'S A HOLD PLACED ON  
10 MY PROGRAM, SO NOW THEY'RE STOPPING PLACEMENT IN MY PROGRAM IN  
11 OTHER COUNTIES TO INVESTIGATE THE HOLD.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL THAT SHOULD BE CLARIFIED. YOU SHOULD  
14 TALK TO THE DEPARTMENT ABOUT THAT.

15

16 **WILLIE SHERMAN:** FORTUNATELY, THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER GOT IN  
17 CONTACT WITH US AND THEY'RE WORKING ON THAT.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. CAN WE HAVE THE DEPARTMENT RESPOND TO  
20 EXACTLY WHAT THE SITUATION IS AT THIS POINT?

21

22 **ARMAND MONTIEL:** YES. MY NAME IS ARMAND MONTIEL I'M THE BOARD  
23 LIAISON FOR DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. I  
24 INTEND TO TAKE ALL OF YOUR CONCERNS BACK TO THE APPROPRIATE  
25 MANAGERS, THE CONTRACT MANAGERS, AND THE GROUP HOME PROGRAM



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1 MANAGERS WHO I KNOW ARE VERY FAMILIAR WITH THIS ISSUE. THE  
2 GROUP HOME MANAGERS ARE ALREADY WORKING ON THE TRANSITION PLAN  
3 FOR THE AFFECTED AGENCIES. AND I KNOW THAT THE CONTRACT  
4 MANAGEMENT HAS REVIEWED THEIR PROCESS WITH COUNTY COUNSEL AND  
5 HAVE GIVEN ASSURANCE BOTH TO THE DEPARTMENT MANAGERS, AND I  
6 THINK TO SOME OF THE BOARD STAFF, THAT ALL THE PROPER NOTICING  
7 DID TAKE PLACE FOR THIS PROCEDURE.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THE REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS. BUT I THINK THE  
10 ISSUE IS SOME PEOPLE ARE RAISING IS, THEIR CONTRACT IS NOT  
11 TERMINATED YET. WHY ARE THERE NO REFERRALS DURING THIS PERIOD  
12 OF TIME?

13

14 **ARMAND MONTIEL:** OKAY. I'LL HAVE--

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE  
17 LOOKED AT BECAUSE WE UNDERSTAND THAT WE HAVE TREMENDOUS LEGAL  
18 LIABILITY IF WE WAIVE THE TIME ON A PROPOSAL. I MEAN, IF  
19 EVERYBODY-- IF YOU HAVE 30 PEOPLE WHO GOT IT IN AND 10 DIDN'T  
20 GET IT IN OR 20 DIDN'T GET IT IN. WE HAVE A LEGAL LIABILITY.  
21 BECAUSE THERE IS ALWAYS SOMEONE WHO WAS CAUGHT IN TRAFFIC OR  
22 DIDN'T MAKE ENOUGH COPIES OR THERE'S SOMETHING THAT HAPPENED  
23 THAT THEY DON'T MAKE IT FOR THE TIME. THEY GET THERE 10  
24 MINUTES LATE. IT HAPPENS. AND AS A RESULT, IT'S ALWAYS A  
25 LAWSUIT IF WE DO ANYTHING THAT VIOLATES THE TIME ON THOSE



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1 PROPOSALS. BUT AS FAR AS ASSIGNING DURING THIS PERIOD OF TIME,  
2 I THINK THAT REALLY YOU NEED TO LOOK AT THAT.

3

4 **ARMAND MONTIEL:** AS TO WHY THEY AREN'T RECEIVING REFERRALS?

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** WHY THEY ARE ON DO NOT REFER STATUS IF IN FACT THE  
7 CONTRACTS RUN TILL THE END OF OCTOBER, NUMBER ONE. NUMBER TWO,  
8 YOU REALLY HAVE TO VALIDATE WHO GOT IT AND WHO DIDN'T. THINGS  
9 CAN DROP THROUGH THE CRACKS, TOO. WE'VE GOT TO BE HONEST ABOUT  
10 THAT, AS WELL, TOO.

11

12 **ARMAND MONTIEL:** WE CAN ANSWER THAT.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THIS LADY ASKED.

15

16 **CHRISTINE DICK:** MY NAME IS CHRISTINE DICK I'M FROM PIONEER  
17 BOY'S RANCH. I'M AMONG THIS GROUP OF PEOPLE. MAINLY WHAT I  
18 WANT TO ASK IN ADDITION TO BEING TAKEN OFF THE DO NOT REFER  
19 LIST, OR AT LEAST LET YOU KNOW WHAT THIS HAS RESULTED IN. I AM  
20 ONE OF THE AGENCIES THAT JUST LAST WEEK HAD TO START LAYING  
21 OFF MY STAFF BECAUSE I LOST FIVE BOYS IN A MONTH. NOW, THE  
22 REASON I LOST THEM IS BECAUSE THEY RAN AWAY AND/OR WERE  
23 HOSPITALIZED FOR THEIR OWN WELL-BEING. BUT WHEN THEY RETURNED  
24 TO ME, I COULD NOT TAKE THEM BACK BECAUSE OF A HOLD ON MY  
25 LICENSE, A PLACEMENT PACKET COULD NOT BE ADMITTED. THEREFORE



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1 THE VERY THING THAT WE ARE TRYING TO PROVIDE THESE CHILDREN  
2 WITH IN THEIR SAFETY AND IN THIS TRANSITION SHOULDN'T TAKE  
3 PLACE AS FAR AS STABILITY AND ALL OF THAT IS CONCERNED,  
4 WITHOUT THE WINDOW JUST LAST WEEK BECAUSE OF THE RULING WITH  
5 REGARDS-- OR THE DECISION TO PUT US ALL ON A DO NOT REFER  
6 LIST. SO I'M JUST ASKING EVEN IF A MOTION COULD BE MADE THAT  
7 AT LEAST RE-PLACEMENT. I MEAN THAT IS, THEIR STABILITY WITH US  
8 UNTIL WE CAN TRANSITION THEM.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT KIND OF NOTICE DID YOU GET FOR DO NOT PLACE?

11

12 **CHRISTINE DICK:** I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM WALTER HAHN OF THE  
13 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION ON-- DATED APRIL 11TH THAT INDICATED  
14 THAT THEY WOULD NOT BE PLACING ANY NEW PLACEMENTS WITH US, BUT  
15 NEW ONLY.

16

17 **LINDA ALLEN:** I RECEIVED NOTICE VIA-- I'M LINDA ALLEN FROM  
18 ALLEN'S TEEN CARE IN COVINA. I RECEIVED NOTICE BY A SOCIAL  
19 WORKER WHO WAS PLACING CHILDREN THAT PARTICULAR DAY. I HAD  
20 FIVE PLACEMENTS. AND SHE CALLED ME BACK AND SHE SAID "LINDA,  
21 WE HAVE THE PLACEMENT PACKET READY BUT WE HAVE A RED FLAG THAT  
22 SAYS DO NOT USE." THAT'S HOW I FOUND OUT. NO ONE CALLED ME AND  
23 TOLD ME THAT WE WERE ON HOLD.

24





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1   **SUP. MOLINA:** SO YOU DID FIND OUT. BUT WHO DID YOU CALL IN THE  
2   DEPARTMENT?

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4   **LINDA ALLEN:** I CALLED WALTER HAHN.

5

6   **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT DID HE SAY?

7

8   **LINDA ALLEN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR 23 YEARS OF SERVICE,  
9   MISS ALLEN, BUT YOU'RE LATE.

10

11   **SUP. MOLINA:** SO YOU WERE LATE WITH YOUR APPLICATION?

12

13   **CHRISTINE DICK:** ALL OF US.

14

15   **WILLIE SHERMAN:** SOME OF US DIDN'T SUBMIT BECAUSE WE NEVER GOT  
16   NOTIFICATION TO SUBMIT.

17

18   **LINDA ALLEN:** WE DIDN'T RECEIVE NOTIFICATION AT ALL.

19

20   **CHRISTINE DICK:** NONE OF US DID.

21

22   **SUP. MOLINA:** SO YOU DIDN'T SUBMIT AN APPLICATION.

23

24   **LINDA ALLEN:** NO, WE DID NOT SUBMIT, NO.

25



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1    **SUP. MOLINA:** SO YOU WEREN'T LATE.

2

3    **LINDA ALLEN:** NO.

4

5    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL THIS LADY BACK HERE SAID SHE WAS LATE  
6    BECAUSE SHE WAS MAKING COPIES.

7

8    **SUP. MOLINA:** SOMEBODY WAS MAKING COPIES. THAT'S WHAT I'M  
9    TRYING TO UNDERSTAND. THERE'S TWO THINGS GOING ON. I WANT TO  
10   UNDERSTAND TWO THINGS GOING ON. ONE, THERE IS A GROUP OF  
11   PEOPLE WHO KNEW EXACTLY WHAT WAS GOING ON AND WE'RE GOING TO  
12   SORT THAT OUT. WAIT, WAIT, WAIT. LET ME SORT IT OUT MYSELF.  
13   AND THAT IS WHY I UNDERSTAND MR. ANTONOVICH'S MOTION IS GOING  
14   TO ADDRESS THOSE ISSUES.

15

16   **ARMAND MONTIEL:** CORRECT.

17

18   **SUP. MOLINA:** SO TO CHECK OUT EXACTLY WITH THAT. NOW, THE OTHER  
19   ISSUE THAT WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT IS THE DO NOT PLACE. IF IN  
20   FACT YOU ARE-- WHY THAT WOULD BE. AND I GUESS YOU'RE GOING TO  
21   GET US AN ANSWER ON THAT, RIGHT? CORRECT?

22

23   **WILLIE SHERMAN:** I CAN RESPOND TO THAT A LITTLE BIT.

24



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1   **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT YOU CAN'T RESPOND, BECAUSE YOU DON'T KNOW  
2   WHY. UNLESS SOMEBODY TOLD YOU WHY YOU'RE NOT ON THE DO NOT  
3   PLACE LIST.

4

5   **WILLIE SHERMAN:** WELL, WE MET WITH TWO-- OUR CONTRACT IS  
6   SPECIFICALLY WITH PROBATION DEPARTMENT. THEY SET UP A MEETING  
7   FOR US TO COME IN AND TO PHASE OUT THE EXISTING KIDS IN OUR  
8   PROGRAM BY THE DEADLINE. I WAS INFORMED AT THAT MEETING THAT  
9   WE WILL NO LONGER PLACE KIDS IN YOUR PROGRAM.

10

11   **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S A DIFFERENT ISSUE. WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO  
12   FIND OUT WHAT DID WE DO ON OUR END? AND I WANT TO UNDERSTAND  
13   THE TWO ISSUES. ONE IS THERE WAS A HOLD REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
14   AND WE GOT LETTERS AND WE SAW THAT. AND SO WE WANT TO FIND OUT  
15   WHAT HAPPENED AND WHAT COULD BE SOME OF THE REMEDIES FOR SOME  
16   OF THESE. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO FIND OUT.

17

18   **WILLIE SHERMAN:** THEY PLACED A HOLD ON US BECAUSE--

19

20   **SUP. MOLINA:** SIR. YOU KEEP CONFUSING ME. WE UNDERSTAND THAT  
21   SOME OF YOU HAVE A HOLD. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE INDIVIDUAL  
22   HOLD IS.

23

24   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** EVERYONE GOT HOLDS.

25



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1    **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT WE'RE GOING TO UNDERSTAND WHY.

2

3    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IF I CAN OFFER IT, WE'LL GET THE CONTACT  
4    INFORMATION FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL AND EACH FACILITY. WE'LL WORK  
5    WITH DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN SERVICES, MAKE CONTACT THIS WEEK  
6    ON THE INDIVIDUAL CIRCUMSTANCES TO FIND OUT WHETHER OR NOT  
7    THEY WERE NOTIFIED. THAT'S ONE THING. BUT EVEN MORE IMPORTANT.  
8    WHY THEY'RE ON A DO NOT REFER STATUS RIGHT NOW, AND IF THAT'S  
9    THE APPROPRIATE STATUS TO BE ON. BECAUSE RIGHT NOW IT'S  
10   DIFFICULT TO SORT THIS OUT. BUT I'LL ASK MIGUEL AND WE'LL GET  
11   OTHERS TO GET ALL THE CONTACT INFORMATION. WE'LL COMMIT TO  
12   GETTING IN TOUCH WITH THESE AGENCIES THIS WEEK.

13

14   **CHRISTINE DICK:** I DO HAVE A DOCUMENT FROM WALTER HAHN, THE  
15   CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR, WHERE HE INDICATED THE PURPOSE FOR  
16   THAT WAS TO MINIMIZE THE DISRUPTION IN CHILDREN'S LIVES WHEN  
17   WE DO HAVE TO TRANSITION, SINCE THEY WOULD BE PLACED WITH US  
18   NEW. IF WE'RE GOING TO BE TRANSITIONING THEM OUT, ANYWAY, HE  
19   WOULD LIKE TO MINIMIZE, WHICH I SUPPORT AND I UNDERSTAND. WE  
20   WANT TO MINIMIZE THAT ALTOGETHER. WE WOULD LIKE TO NOT HAVE TO  
21   DO THIS. BUT IN THE MEANTIME, I'VE GOT KIDS RETURNING FROM  
22   A.W.O.L. THAT I CAN'T STABILIZE BECAUSE I'VE GOT A HOLD ON MY  
23   LICENSE.

24

25   **SUP. MOLINA:** SHE DID KNOW.



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2 **LINDA ALLEN:** NOW THEY'RE WANT TOGETHER DO T.D.M.S ON EVERY  
3 CHILD TO REPLACE THEM. SO THAT'S WHERE WE'RE AT, AS WELL.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE NEED TO CHECK IT OUT.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IS THE  
8 DEPARTMENT WILL LOOK AT EACH INDIVIDUAL SITUATION.

9

10 **CHRISTINE DICK:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** COULD I SAY ONE MORE FINAL THING? WITH REFERENCE TO  
13 THE CHILDREN THAT THEY'RE DOING T.D.M.S FOR, THERE NEEDS TO BE  
14 A GREATER CONSIDERATION FOR THE INDIVIDUAL CHILD AND THEIR  
15 PERSONAL NEEDS, AND HOW THEY'RE GOING TO TRANSITION CHILDREN  
16 WHO HAVE BEEN IN PLACEMENT WITH YOU FOR A YEAR AND HAVE  
17 UNUSUAL PROBLEMS AND THEY HAVE TO MAKE AN UNUSUAL ADJUSTMENT  
18 IN THEIR FACILITIES. WE FEEL THAT AS A SMALL GROUP HOME, WE  
19 BECOME VERY CLOSE TO OUR CHILDREN. WE TRY TO GIVE THEM A REAL  
20 NURTURING HOME. TO REMOVE CHILDREN AT RANDOM, AD NAUSEAM, TO  
21 OTHER LOCATIONS WHEN THEY HAD TO GO THROUGH AN ADJUSTMENT  
22 PERIOD JUST TO BE THERE, BECAUSE WE MISSED A DATE-- REALLY A  
23 TIME-- THAT IS UNFAIR TO THE CHILD, UNFAIR TO US, PAST  
24 PRACTICES WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES



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1 NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT ALSO BECAUSE I DON'T THINK THAT THEY  
2 HAVE BEEN THIS STRICT BEFORE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL LET ME TELL YOU, IT'S NOT JUST THE  
5 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. EVERY SINGLE  
6 R.F.P. THAT GOES OUT, WHETHER IT'S PUBLIC WORKS, WHATEVER IT  
7 IS IN THE COUNTY, THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO MISS. THE TRAFFIC, IT'S  
8 SOMETHING THAT HAPPENS. OR SOMETHING HAPPENS. THERE ARE PEOPLE  
9 WHO DON'T MAKE THE DEADLINE. AND WHEN WE DON'T ABIDE BY IT, WE  
10 ARE THEN SUED BY EVERYONE WHO DID MAKE IT, THAT WE ARE  
11 VIOLATING IT. AND SO THE ATTORNEYS SAY TO US IF THERE IS A  
12 TIME, WE HAVE TO ABIDE BY THAT TIME.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** THEY CHANGED THE TIME SO MANY DIFFERENT TIMES. THAT'S  
15 PART OF THE DEAL.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL IF THEIR TIME WAS CHANGED. IF YOU WERE  
18 TOLD ONE TIME AND THEN THEY CHANGED THE TIME AGAIN, THAT'S ONE  
19 OF THE SITUATIONS THAT WILL BE LOOKED AT.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** ABOUT THOSE GROUP HOMES THAT DID NOT RECEIVE ANY  
22 LETTER REGARDING THIS STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION, AND WE HAVE  
23 SEVERAL OF US WHO DIDN'T RECEIVE ANY NOTIFICATION AT ALL, AND  
24 THAT'S WHY WE ARE HERE BECAUSE I THINK WHEN WE GOT THIS  
25 LETTER, IT SAYS--



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THEY'RE GOING TO LOOK AT EACH ONE OF THOSE.  
3 IF PEOPLE WERE IN LINE TO RECEIVE IT AND HAD GIVEN NOTICE THEY  
4 WANTED TO RECEIVE IT AND DID NOT RECEIVE IT, THAT'S ONE OF THE  
5 ISSUES. THAT'S WHY I SAID, THAT DIDN'T RECEIVE THE NOTICE,  
6 YES.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** WE WANT TO FIND OUT WITH THE EMAILS, WE DIDN'T  
9 RECEIVE ANY EMAILS. IF THEY SENT IT REGISTERED WITH RETURN  
10 RECEIPT FOR THEM, THEN THEY SHOULD SHOW US, THAT THERE WAS  
11 PROOF, THAT WE RECEIVED THAT.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK THEY'RE LOOKING AT THAT, RIGHT?  
14 YOU'RE LOOKING AT EACH ONE? DO WE HAVE EVERYONE'S NAME HERE?

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE WILL GET THAT.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE WILL GET THE NAME OF EVERYONE WHO DID  
19 NOT GET NOTICE.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** I THINK IT'S A VALID THING TO CHECK OUT. I  
22 UNDERSTAND THE LEGAL ASPECT OF IT. YOU DON'T JUST HAVE ONE  
23 PERSON HERE SAYING THAT THEY DIDN'T GET AN R.F.P. YOU HAVE A  
24 NUMBER OF PROVIDERS.

25





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1   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** RIGHT. SO WE SHOULD GET EVERYONE'S NAMES  
2   WHO DID NOT GET THE NOTICE.

3

4   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AND YOU'RE RIGHT. NOT JUST THE NUMBER.

5

6   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SOMEONE THERE WILL TAKE IT UP.

7

8   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE WILL LOOK AT EVERY SINGLE ONE INDIVIDUALLY.

9

10   **SPEAKER:** OUT OF 32 I'VE BEEN CALLING, THERE IS ABOUT 28 WHO  
11   DIDN'T RECEIVE IT THE NOTIFICATION.

12

13   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, I UNDERSTAND THAT WE WANT TO  
14   BE RESPONSIVE TO EVERYBODY WHO IS HERE, BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT  
15   THERE WERE MORE THAN 160 AGENCIES THAT FILED-- THAT RESPONDED  
16   TO THIS R.F.Q. OR R.F.P. THERE WERE OVER 160 WHICH DID RESPOND  
17   WITHIN THE DEADLINE AND 38 THAT DIDN'T. SO WHILE THERE MAY BE  
18   38 WHO DIDN'T-- AND IF I WERE ONE OF THOSE 38, AND I'M NOT  
19   SAYING THAT YOU'RE ANY ONE OF THESE-- BUT IT'S NOT LOGICAL ANY  
20   MORE THAN YOU THINK IT'S LOGICAL THAT IT'S NOT LIKELY THAT ALL  
21   OF YOU WOULD HAVE MISSED THE DEADLINE. IT'S ALSO NOT LIKELY  
22   FROM MY POINT OF VIEW THAT EVERY ONE OF THE 38 WHO DIDN'T FILE  
23   WERE PERFECT AND JUST DIDN'T GET NOTIFIED. I JUST DON'T THINK  
24   THAT'S LIKELY. AND IF I WERE IN YOUR SHOES, WHAT I WOULD DO IS  
25   FIND ALL THE OTHERS WHO DIDN'T QUALIFY AND MISSED THE DEADLINE



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1 AND TRACK DOWN TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND MAKE AS STRONG  
2 A SHOWING AS I COULD. I WOULD DO THAT AND THAT'S YOUR RIGHT.  
3 BUT I DON'T THINK THAT MEANS THAT THE COUNTY DID NOT SEND YOU  
4 A NOTICE. IT OUGHT TO BE LOOKED AT. BUT THIS IS GOING TO OPEN  
5 UP-- I WANT TO JUST SAY IT WILL OPEN UP A PANDORA'S BOX. I'VE  
6 GOT A NUMBER OF AGENCIES IN MY DISTRICT. I HAVE TOLD THEM THAT  
7 THE RULES ARE THE RULES. WHEN YOU'RE IN THIS BUSINESS, YOU GOT  
8 TO UNDERSTAND WHAT A DEADLINE IS. YOU DON'T--

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** NOT JUST THIS BUSINESS. ALL BUSINESSES THAT  
11 DO BUSINESS WITH GOVERNMENT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OR ANYBODY ELSE. AND SO I JUST DON'T WANT  
14 ANYBODY-- SPEAKING FOR MYSELF HERE, I DON'T WANT YOU TO FEEL  
15 LIKE THERE'S A SYMPATHETIC EAR, BECAUSE UNLESS WE FOULED UP,  
16 AND IF WE CAN DETERMINE THAT WE FOULED UP, THAT'S A DIFFERENT  
17 STORY. BUT IF WE CAN'T DETERMINE THAT WE FOULED UP, MOST OF  
18 THE PEOPLE DID RESPOND TO THE DEADLINE. I BELIEVE THAT EVERY  
19 TIME WE GO OUT FOR AN R.F.P. THERE'S A DEADLINE AND A  
20 RESPONSE. THIS ISN'T THE FIRST TIME ANY OF YOU HAVE DONE AN  
21 R.F.P. EVERY R.F.P. THAT I'VE EVER SEEN HAS A DEADLINE.  
22 RESPOND BY JUNE 30TH. RESPOND BY MAY 15TH. WHATEVER THE DATE  
23 IS. AND IT DOESN'T MEAN MAY 16TH. IT MEANS MAY 15TH. AND YOU  
24 DON'T HAVE TO GO TO BOOT CAMP. I WASN'T AT BOOT CAMP TO  
25 UNDERSTAND WHAT THE IMPLICATION OF A DEADLINE ARE. SO I WOULD



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1 BE VERY DISTURBED IF AFTER EXPLAINING TO MY OWN CONSTITUENT  
2 AGENCIES THAT THEY HAVE TO PLAY BY THE RULES, THAT SOMEHOW THE  
3 RULES GOT CHANGED. BECAUSE THEY'RE GOING TO GET CHANGED FOR  
4 EVERYBODY. AND I THINK THAT WILL BE HORRIBLE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, MY QUESTION IS NOT TO INDICATE  
7 CHANGING THE RULES. IT HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH--

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WASN'T RESPONDING TO YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** TO THE PERSON THAT RESPOND LATE.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DON, I WASN'T RESPONDING TO SOMETHING YOU  
14 SAID. I WAS RESPONDING TO SOMETHING I HEARD FROM THE PUBLIC.

15

16 **CYNTHIA WILLIAMS:** MY NAME IS CYNTHIA WILLIAMS. I'M FROM  
17 POSITIVE PATH YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTER. I'M GOING TO BE REALLY  
18 SHORT. I WAS AT A MEETING AT THE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. AND I  
19 GOT IT BY WORD OF MOUTH. AND AGAIN, A MEETING OF 300. THERE  
20 WERE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE AT THAT MEETING THAT EXPRESSED IF THEY  
21 DIDN'T HEAR IT FROM SOMEONE ELSE, HOW WOULD THEY HAVE HAD  
22 KNOWN ABOUT IT? AND THIS IS THEY ADDRESSED AS FAR AS D.C.F.S.  
23 AND PROBATION. IN SHORT ALSO, I WANT TO LET YOU KNOW, YOU'RE  
24 CLOSING DOWN GOOD GROUP HOMES. I HAVE OVER THREE YEARS' DATA  
25 HERE THAT I'M SUPPOSED TO MEET WITH PROBATION TO DO TRANSITION



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1    TODAY AS FAR AS OF OUR YOUTH. SEVERAL ON HONOR ROLL. I HAVE  
2    ONE RECENTLY IN THE NEWSPAPER, AND CAUGHT BY THE DODGERS. WE  
3    HAVE NO A.W.O.L.S THIS YEAR. WE HAVE TWO LAST YEAR. I KNOW  
4    THAT IS NOT THE ISSUE HERE. BUT, AGAIN, EVERY SINGLE ONE OF  
5    OUR KIDS HAVE SHOWN-- HAVE PROGRESSED.

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7    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND YOU DID NOT GET A NOTICE ABOUT IN.

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9    **CYNTHIA WILLIAMS:** I CANNOT SAY. I HEARD IT BY WORD OF MOUTH  
10    FIRST. AND THEN SHORTLY BEFORE THE DEADLINE I DID RECEIVE A  
11    NOTICE.

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13    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT WAS THE NOTICE THAT YOU RECEIVED?

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15    **CYNTHIA WILLIAMS:** A REQUEST OF STATEMENT OF INFORMATION.  
16    STATEMENT OF INFORMATION. REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF  
17    INFORMATION. AND THAT'S WHY I WAS AT THAT MEETING. AND THEN I  
18    STARTED NOTIFYING OTHER GROUP HOMES "HEY, DON'T MISS THIS  
19    DEADLINE. DON'T MISS THIS DEADLINE." LUCKILY THEY GOT IT IN.  
20    WE BROKE DOWN.

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22    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOUR CAR BROKE DOWN?

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1   **CYNTHIA WILLIAMS:** YES, WELL THE VAN BROKE DOWN. AND THEN I WAS  
2   HERE THAT FOLLOWING MONDAY MORNING TO ASK FOR-- TO REOPEN THE  
3   SUBMISSIONS OF QUALIFICATIONS. BUT YOU KNOW THE STORY.

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5   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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7   **ROBERT SMITH:** MY NAME IS ROBERT SMITH. I REPRESENT THE HOUSE  
8   OF BETHESDA GROUP HOME IN LAWDALE. I'VE BEEN IN THE GROUP  
9   HOME BUSINESS FOR 15 YEARS. WE WERE NEVER NOTIFIED. USUALLY  
10   THEY SEND IT BY FAX OR BY CERTIFIED MAIL. AND WE NEVER GOT  
11   ANYTHING IN THE MAIL. I'M NOT LOOKING FOR SYMPATHY. BUT THEY  
12   SHOULD PLAY THE RULES RIGHT. I FEEL LIKE IT WAS A SETUP TO GET  
13   RID OF SO MANY GROUP HOMES. THAT'S MY OWN PERSONAL OPINION.

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15   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU PRESENTLY HAVE A CONTRACT?

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17   **ROBERT SMITH:** YES, I DO, WITH PROBATION, D.C.F.S. AND MENTAL  
18   HEALTH. WE'VE BEEN AT IT FOR 15 YEARS. WE RUN A GOOD PROGRAM.  
19   AND A LOT OF KIDS ARE GOING TO BE AFFECTED. AND I DON'T FEEL  
20   LIKE WE WERE FAIRLY TREATED BECAUSE WE WEREN'T NOTIFIED. IF WE  
21   HAD BEEN NOTIFIED, WE ALWAYS COMPLIED. AND THE CONTRACTS  
22   USUALLY LAST EVERY FOUR YEARS. BUT THIS TIME THEY MADE IT FOR  
23   ONE YEAR. AND THEY DIDN'T LET US KNOW. AND MOST, IF YOU COULD  
24   CHECK WITH ALL 160 SOME GROUP HOMES, MOST OF THEM WERE



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1 NOTIFIED BY OTHER GROUP HOME MEMBERS, NOT BY MAIL, NOT BY FAX.  
2 THAT'S THE ONLY WAY THEY KNEW ABOUT IT.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ONE OF THE THINGS WE WILL ASK THE  
5 DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE, IN THIS 30 DAYS, IS PROOF OF HOW THEY  
6 MADE THE NOTIFICATION. AND NOWADAYS WITH EMAIL AND FAX AND ALL  
7 OF THOSE THINGS AND CERTIFIED MAIL YOU HAVE, IT'S VERY EASY TO  
8 VERIFY WHAT WAS DONE AND WHO WAS NOT NOTIFIED.

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10 **ROBERT SMITH:** I WAS NOT NOTIFIED.

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12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE WILL TAKE YOUR NAMES TO CHECK  
13 EVERYONE. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE CASSANDRA WAGONER,  
14 RICHARD WAGNER, AND CHARLES SIMPSON, WOULD YOU PLEASE COME  
15 FORWARD? WOULD YOU PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME?

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17 **RICHARD WAGNER:** MY NAME IS RICHARD WAGNER. I'M HERE AS A  
18 PROPERTY TAXPAYER. I THINK I'M IN DON KNABE'S DISTRICT. I LIVE  
19 IN REDONDO BEACH. I WAS HAVING PROBLEMS PAYING MY MORTGAGE AND  
20 I THOUGHT MY TAXES WERE TOO HIGH. SO I SENT IN FOR AN APPEAL.  
21 AND THEY SENT ME BACK A LETTER SAYING THAT I HAD OVERPAID MY  
22 TAXES SINCE I HAD PURCHASED THE HOME IN 2003. AND I FOLLOWED  
23 THAT UP WITH-- I WENT TO THE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD  
24 MEETING. AND THEY SAID YEAH, WE REALLY MESSED UP ON YOUR  
25 PROPERTY TAXES. WE OVERCHARGED YOU ALMOST 50 PERCENT EACH



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1 YEAR. I SAID, "OH GREAT." THEY SAID WE'LL RECTIFY THIS AND  
2 WE'LL SEND YOU A CHECK IN THE MAIL FOR A REFUND. SO I'VE BEEN  
3 WAITING FOR TWO MONTHS FOR A REFUND. AND YESTERDAY I WENT AND  
4 TALKED TO THE PROPERTY TAX PEOPLE IN THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE IN  
5 LONG BEACH AND THEY SAID "WE DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS.  
6 THIS IS REALLY, REALLY AN UNUSUAL THING." AND I FINALLY I  
7 TALKED TO THIS MAN, RODRIGUEZ. AND HE TOLD ME TO CONTACT THE  
8 AUDITOR--

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** SIR, WOULD YOU TALK TO ONE MEMBER OF MY STAFF?  
11 WE'LL GET YOU CLEARED UP HERE, OKAY?

12

13 **RICHARD WAGNER:** I JUST WANT TO FINISH THIS. THE POINT I'M  
14 TRYING TO MAKE IS THAT I PAID MY PROPERTY TAXES AND IT'S BEEN  
15 TWO MONTHS AND I HAVEN'T GOTTEN A REFUND AND I THINK WHAT'S  
16 FAIR IS FAIR, YOU KNOW. IF I DON'T PAY MY PROPERTY TAXES ON  
17 TIME, THAT YOU GUYS PENALIZE ME. THE COUNTY OWES ME ALMOST  
18 \$15,000. AND I WENT DOWN TODAY TO TALK TO THESE PEOPLE AND  
19 THEY DON'T EVEN WANT TO TELL ME WHO THEY ARE. THEY WON'T GIVE  
20 ME ANY INFORMATION. I JUST DON'T FEEL THAT THIS IS A VERY FAIR  
21 WAY TO TREAT US.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S NOT FAIR. AND WE WANT TO HELP YOU.

24

25 **RICHARD WAGNER:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.





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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

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4 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** MY NAME IS CASSANDRA WAGONER. I WANT TO  
5 SPEAK TO YOU ABOUT THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW AND THE  
6 L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S. I HAD FILED COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE L.A.  
7 COUNTY SHERIFFS IN PALMDALE, CALIFORNIA ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS.  
8 MY SON'S FATHER, JERRY LYLES, CAME DOWN HERE AND SPOKE WITH  
9 THE BOARD. THEY SAID THEY WOULD HAVE SOMEBODY DO SOMETHING. WE  
10 RECEIVED A LETTER FROM A MR. JONES. THIS LETTER DOES NOT MAKE  
11 SENSE. YOU CAN'T READ IT. YOU CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT. SO  
12 BASICALLY HE CALLS ME ON THE PHONE AND TELLS ME WHAT THE  
13 LETTER IS ABOUT AND THAT HE HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE  
14 SCHOOLS. BUT THE ENTIRE LETTER IS ABOUT THE SCHOOLS. HE DIDN'T  
15 ADDRESS ANY OTHER ISSUES WITH THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFFS AND MY  
16 CHILDREN. SO THAT IS WHY I'M HERE TODAY. SO CAN I GET SOME  
17 HELP WITH THAT FROM ANYBODY?

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU LIVE?

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** ABOUT THE SCHOOLS OR SHERIFFS?

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23 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** ABOUT BOTH. IT'S ABOUT THE SHERIFFS AND THE  
24 SCHOOLS. IF YOU LIVE IN PALMDALE, THE SHERIFF IS IN THE  
25 SCHOOL. SO THEY GO ALONG TOGETHER IN PALMDALE, LANCASTER.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF.

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4 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** RIGHT.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** ARE THE SECURITY PEOPLE.

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8 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** YES. I WORK FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. THEY  
9 ARE IN THE SCHOOLS.

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11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THEY HAVE BEEN HERE BEFORE. HER HUSBAND'S  
12 BEEN HERE. YEAH. I THINK THAT WHAT YOU WANT TO DO IS YOU WANT  
13 TO GET YOUR CHILD BACK IN SCHOOL, IS THAT RIGHT?

14

15 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** YES. AND I'D LIKE THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT  
16 REVIEW TO DO THE JOB THAT THEY'RE GETTING PAID TO DO.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND YOU FILED WITH THEM?

19

20 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** YES, I HAVE. AND I'VE GOT A RESPONSE.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHICH YOU'RE UNHAPPY WITH.

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24 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** VERY MUCH SO.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION UPHELD THE  
2   EXPULSION.

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4   **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT EXPULSION. I HAVE NO  
5   PROBLEM WITH EXPULSIONS. THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH WHY I'M  
6   HERE.

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8   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE OMBUDSMAN DID A REVIEW AND HE GAVE  
9   YOU A REPORT ON MAY 5TH, VARIOUS COMPLAINTS REGARDING L.A.S.D.  
10   PALMDALE STATION PERSONNEL WHICH WAS ADDRESSED TO MR. LYLES.

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12   **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** CORRECT.

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14   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IN THERE THEY STATED THAT--

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16   **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** WHY DON'T YOU JUST LET HER READ IT?

17

18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BEN JONES IS THE PERSON, DEPUTY CHIEF  
19   ATTORNEY, BUT PURSUANT-- HE SAID, "I OBTAINED A COPY OF THE  
20   AUDIO RECORDING OF THE FEBRUARY 18TH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
21   MEETING. I REVIEWED THE RECORDING TO DETERMINE SOLELY WHETHER  
22   AN L.A.S.D. DEPUTY MADE INAPPROPRIATE STATEMENTS REGARDING  
23   CAMERON. ON THE RECORDING, I HEARD NO INAPPROPRIATE STATEMENTS  
24   BY AN L.A.S.D. DEPUTY REGARDING CAMERON. IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER  
25   QUESTIONS DON'T HESITATE TO CONTACT ME." AND HE GIVES HIS



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1 TELEPHONE NUMBER RELATIVE TO YOUR LETTER. SO HE SAYS, "BASED  
2 ON MY INDEPENDENT REVIEW, L.A.S.D. MANAGEMENT CONDUCTED A  
3 COMPLETE AND THOROUGH INQUIRY INTO YOUR COMPLAINT AND THERE  
4 WAS NO EVIDENCE THAT THE RESERVED DEPUTY ACTED IMPROPERLY."

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6 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT AT LEAST THREE  
7 DIFFERENT INCIDENTS. SEE, YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW. THAT'S THREE  
8 DIFFERENT INCIDENTS I HAVE THE SAME LETTER, SIR. SO YOU'RE NOT  
9 UNDERSTANDING WHAT I'M TRYING TO TELL YOU. WHAT HE DID HAD  
10 NOTHING TO DO WITH WHAT WE COMPLAINED ABOUT. I HAVE THE  
11 COMPLAINTS. HE DID WHAT HE WANTED TO DO. THIS IS NOT  
12 ADDRESSING ANYTHING. WE DIDN'T ASK HIM ABOUT THE SCHOOL. HE  
13 TOLD ME HE COULDN'T DO NOTHING FOR THE SCHOOL. SO I HAVE NO  
14 PROBLEM WITH THAT. I CAN DEAL WITH L.A.C.O. WITH THAT. BUT I'M  
15 DEALING WITH THE SHERIFFS AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. THE SHERIFF  
16 ARE IN THE SCHOOLS AS SECURITY. YOU KNOW IN PALMDALE,  
17 LANCASTER YOU USE THE SHERIFFS FOR EVERYTHING.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE DO THAT IN OTHER DISTRICTS, TOO.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE'LL HAVE SOMEONE IF MY OFFICE THAT WILL  
22 TALK TO YOU AS WELL AS SOMEONE FROM HIS OFFICE. REALLY, IT'S  
23 NOT OUR DISTRICT.

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25 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** I UNDERSTAND THAT.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** BUT SOMEONE FROM SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S  
3 OFFICE AND WE WILL JOIN WITH THEM. BUT MAYBE YOU COULD  
4 DELINEATE EXACTLY WHICH INCIDENT YOU ARE INTERESTED IN, PLUS I  
5 THINK AT THIS POINT, MAY I JUST MAKE A SUGGESTION?

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7 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** SURE.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MY UNDERSTANDING IS YOU WANT YOUR CHILD TO  
10 GO BACK TO SCHOOL, RIGHT?

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12 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** I WOULD LOVE FOR MY CHILD TO GO BACK TO  
13 SCHOOL.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHAT I THINK WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA-- AND  
16 WHAT I'M GOING TO ASK MY STAFF TO DO-- IS TO WORK WITH  
17 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S STAFF TO TRY TO WORK OUT SOME  
18 MECHANISM OR SOMETHING SO YOUR CHILD CAN GET INTO SOME SCHOOL  
19 SOMEWHERE. NOW, I KNOW YOU HAVE ALL THE COMPLAINTS. AND THERE  
20 ARE MECHANISMS IF YOU'RE UNHAPPY WITH THE INDEPENDENT REVIEW,  
21 YOU HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO FILE A LAWSUIT AS IT RELATES TO THOSE  
22 INCIDENTS. BUT WHAT WE CAN DO IS TO TRY TO SEE IF WE CAN WORK  
23 WITH YOU TO WORK OUT SOMETHING SO YOUR CHILD COULD GET INTO  
24 SCHOOL.

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1 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT.

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3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE'LL WORK OUT TO SEE IF THERE'S SOMETHING  
4 THAT COULD BE WORKED OUT FOR HIM TO GET INTO A SCHOOL  
5 SOMEWHERE. MAYBE IT COULD BE A CHARTER SCHOOL OR SOMEONE THAT  
6 WOULD AGREE TO DO IT.

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8 **CASSANDRA WAGONER:** THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** CHARLES SIMPSON, JERRY LYLES AND JOHN  
11 NATHAN. MR. SIMPSON? CHARLES SIMPSON? JERRY LYLES?

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13 **JERRY LYLES:** YES, I AM JERRY LYLES.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY, MR. LISLE.

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17 **JERRY LYLES:** HI, HOW ARE YOU DOING? YOU GUYS SPEAK TO ME, I  
18 WAS HONORED YOU GUYS GOT TO SEE ME. I WANT TO BRING MY SON.  
19 THIS IS MY EIGHTH GRADER THAT IS NOT A GANG BANGER. WOUND UP  
20 BEING CALLED A GANG BANGER, THREW A FELONY CHARGE ON HIM.  
21 TREATED HIM ANY KIND OF WAY, TREATED THE PARENTS ANY KIND OF  
22 WAY. NOW I DID REPORT THIS TO YOUR GUYS' OFFICES. NOW I AM  
23 ASHAMED TO SAY THAT IT WAS JUST SLOPPY. I JUST HAVE TO SAY  
24 THAT. IT WAS SLOPPY ALL THE WAY AROUND. AND MOST OF THE TIME  
25 WHEN I SAID THINGS, THEY DON'T LISTEN. THEY HEARD WHAT THEY



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1 WANTED TO HEAR. AND NOW WE HAVE TO REDO THIS MATTER OVER  
2 AGAIN. I SAID NO, THIS DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. NOW, I'M A  
3 LITTLE BIT hardcore BECAUSE MY KIDS KNOW ME. DADDY IS A FORMER  
4 MARINE. I DON'T PLAY. WHEN YOU COME AND SAY MY SON DID  
5 SOMETHING. YOU HAVE TO PROVIDE ME WITH SOMETHING. BECAUSE  
6 THESE WERE ADULTS THAT COULDN'T PROVIDE ANYTHING. IT CAME FROM  
7 L.A.C.O. IT CAME FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THIS THE SAME THING THAT-- SAME CASE?  
10 OKAY.

11

12 **JERRY LYLES:** BUT I WANTED YOU TO MEET HIM. MY SON CAME OUT TO  
13 PALMDALE, GIFTED AND TALENTED, YOU UNDERSTAND THAT? A STUDENT.  
14 ALWAYS. YOU GUYS LOCKED HIM UP THAT'S THE FIRST THING I GOT  
15 FROM COUNTY PROBATION. "WHAT HAS THIS KID DONE? THIS KID IS  
16 SUPER SMART, AND BLAH, BLAH THIS AND BLAH, BLAH THAT." I DON'T  
17 KNOW. BUT ONE THING I DO KNOW IS I'M A MARINE. I'M AN EX  
18 MARINE. I PUT UP AN EXCELLENT FIGHT. AND TODAY WE ARE GOING TO  
19 STRAIGHTEN THIS OUT TOGETHER. I DIDN'T DO THIS. HE DIDN'T DO  
20 IT. I KNOW YOU GUYS ARE ELECTED OFFICIALS. I VOTED FOR YOU  
21 NUMEROUS TIMES BECAUSE I LIVED IN YOUR DISTRICT I'M IN MIKE  
22 ANTONOVICH'S DISTRICT. I VOTED FOR HIM. BECAUSE IF IT HAPPENED  
23 TO MY CHILD, IT HAPPENED TO ANOTHER CHILD. I'M NOT SAYING THAT  
24 MY CHILD WENT AROUND HERE, OH, HE'S GOODIE TWO SHOES. HE IS  
25 FAR FROM THAT. BUT HE'S NOT A GANG BANGER. HE IS NOT THE





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1 THINGS THEY ACCUSED HIM OF, AND I'M NOT GOING TO HAVE THAT.  
2 BECAUSE I LIVE IN THIS DISTRICT IF SOMETHING IS GOING ON, AS A  
3 PARENT, YOU NOTIFY ME BECAUSE I WORK DOWN IN L.A. I GET TO SEE  
4 GANG BANGERS EVERY NIGHT. AND I GET TO SCHOOL WITH THEM.  
5 BECAUSE GUESS WHAT MR. LYLES DOES NOT RUN FROM ANYTHING.

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7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'M GOING TO SAY THE SAME THING THAT I SAID  
8 TO YOUR WIFE. YOU KNOW, YOU MAY DISAGREE WITH THE OUTCOME. AND  
9 WE HAVE AN OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW SO THAT WE CAN TRY TO  
10 LOOK AT THOSE ISSUES. IF YOU'RE UNHAPPY WITH THE OUTCOME OF  
11 THOSE, YOU HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO GO TO COURT. BUT WHAT I'M GOING  
12 TO SUGGEST TO YOU IS THAT OUR OFFICE WILL WORK WITH SUPERVISOR  
13 ANTONOVICH'S OFFICE TO SEE IF WE CAN TRY TO FIND SOME SCHOOL  
14 WHERE YOUR CHILD CAN GET INTO THAT SCHOOL. IF YOU'RE  
15 INTERESTED. I KNOW YOU'RE INTERESTED IN YOUR SON. AND I'M SURE  
16 HE WANTS TO MOVE FORWARD. AND WE WILL WORK WITH YOU FOR HIM TO  
17 MOVE FORWARD TO GET INTO SOME KIND OF A SCHOOL SOMEWHERE. NOW,  
18 THE OTHER ISSUES, WE CAN LISTEN TO THEM. WE HAVE AN OFFICE OF  
19 INDEPENDENT REVIEW. YOU'RE UNHAPPY WITH THEIR DETERMINATION.  
20 YOU HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO TAKE THAT TO COURT. THAT'S YOUR NEXT  
21 ALTERNATIVE. WE DO NOT GO BACK OVER THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT  
22 REVIEW. BUT I'M WILLING TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO DO WHATEVER WE  
23 CAN TO HELP YOUR SON GET INTO SCHOOL BECAUSE HE SHOULD BE IN  
24 SCHOOL.

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1     **JERRY LYLES:** WELL--

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3     **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IF YOU WANT TO WORK WITH ME. IF YOU DON'T  
4     WANT TO-- AND YOU'RE A MARINE.

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6     **JERRY LYLES:** NO WAIT A MINUTE, YOU CAN'T SAY THAT, BECAUSE I  
7     VOTED FOR YOU TOO MUCH, NOT TO SAY I WASN'T I WASN'T GOING TO  
8     WORK WITH YOU, NOW. REMEMBER I'M THE GUY WHO PUT YOU IN  
9     OFFICE. YOU DIDN'T JUST JUMP IN THERE, AND I HAVE BEEN DOING  
10    THAT YEAR, AFTER YEAR, AFTER YEAR, AFTER YEAR, WITHOUT  
11    HESITATION.

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13    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND I APPRECIATE THAT.

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15    **JERRY LYLES:** I APPRECIATE IT IF SOMEBODY WOULD JUST LISTEN.  
16    WHEN SOMEONE COMES TO ME WITH A PROBLEM, FIRST THING I DO IS,  
17    I SHUT UP AND I LISTEN. WHEN I CAME TO YOUR OFFICE, NOBODY  
18    SHUT UP. THAT'S WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY. THEY DIDN'T HEAR WHAT  
19    I SAID. YOU CAN'T INVESTIGATE SOMETHING IF YOU DON'T HEAR. AND  
20    YOUR OFFICE DIDN'T HEAR. YOU HEAR ME BUT THEY DIDN'T. AND  
21    THESE ARE THE PEOPLE THAT ARE UNDER YOUR PAYROLL NOT MINE.

22

23    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHO FROM MY OFFICE DIDN'T HEAR?

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1   **JERRY LYLES:** WE HAD A MEETING, I THINK IT WAS MISS HUFF. I WAS  
2   WITH MISS TATE. I WAS WITH THE GENERAL COUNSEL, MR. JONES.  
3   NONE OF THESE PEOPLE LISTENED. I LEFT THE MEETING I FELT LIKE  
4   I WAS BAMBOOZLED. I SAID WAIT A MINUTE. YOU DIDN'T HEAR A WORD  
5   THAT I SAID AND HOW I KNOW YOU DIDN'T HEAR A WORD THAT I SAID  
6   BECAUSE GUESS WHAT, WHEN I CONDUCT A MEETING AND THERE'S A  
7   PROBLEM, "HEY MR. LYLES, CAN YOU PUT IT ON PAPER. THAT WAY  
8   WE'LL UNDERSTAND IT." AND I SAT THERE IN THE MEETING. NOBODY  
9   ASKED A QUESTION AND SAY, "MR. LYLES COULD YOU PUT IT ON  
10  PAPER?"

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12  **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I HAVE A REVIEW OF WHAT YOU SAID. I'LL LET  
13  YOU TAKE A LOOK AT IT. ANY CHANGES IN HERE, PLEASE CHANGE  
14  THEM.

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16  **JERRY LYLES:** I SURE WILL. I WANT YOU ALL TO MEET MY SON,  
17  CAMERON LYLES.

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19  **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DO YOU KNOW WHAT? I HOPE THAT YOU WILL WORK  
20  WITH US TO TRY TO GET HIM IN SCHOOL.

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22  **JERRY LYLES:** I AM, YES I AM. ABSOLUTELY.

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24  **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND THEN GO TO COURT TO OVERTURN AND GET  
25  BEFORE COURT THOSE ISSUES THAT YOU'RE UNHAPPY WITH.



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2 **JERRY LYLES:** I SURE WILL, I SURE WILL, BUT I WANT--

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** BUT I HAVE A REVIEW HERE OF ALL OF THE  
5 ISSUES THAT CAME UP, THE PUBLIC DEFENDER ISSUE, THE SHERIFF'S  
6 COMPLAINT, ALL OF THOSE THINGS.

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8 **JERRY LYLES:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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12 **JON NAHHAS:** GOOD MORNING AGAIN, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JON  
13 NAHHAS, I FIND IT VERY INTERESTING, AFTER TESTIFYING HERE JUST  
14 MOMENTS AGO, THAT WHEN I TOLD YOU THAT I HAD A VIDEO OF YACHT  
15 BROKERS THAT ARE NOW COMING FORWARD AND SAYING THAT THEY  
16 RECEIVED CASH ENVELOPES OF MONEY TO PROCURE SLIPS, I NOW HAVE  
17 TWO EMPLOYEES COMING UP INTO THE AUDIENCE AND YOU'RE NOW  
18 HEARING US ALL OF A SUDDEN. I'VE BEEN SAYING THIS ALL ALONG.  
19 I'VE BEEN SAYING BLACK MARKET. I'VE BEEN COMING. IF YOU REVIEW  
20 THE TAPES, I'VE BEEN TELLING YOU BLACK MARKET EXISTS IN MARINA  
21 DEL REY AND HAS EXISTED. AND WE'RE JUST CURIOUS ON WHY THERE  
22 ARE NO WAITING LISTS WHEN YOU TRY TO GET A SLIP AND YOU KNOW  
23 THAT THE SLIPS ARE EXHAUSTED NOW, WHY SOMEONE DOESN'T HAVE A  
24 WAITING LIST ON THE FRONT DOOR? WE'VE ALWAYS WONDERED THAT. THE  
25 HARBOR IN MARINA DEL REY CONTINUES TO BE PRIVATIZED: 50



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1 PERCENT INCREASE IN SLIP FEES, 50 PERCENT REDUCTION IN  
2 AFFORDABLE SLIPS AND WE CONTINUE TO PRIVATIZE THIS VERY PUBLIC  
3 HARBOR. MISS MOLINA, WHERE ARE YOU? MISS BURKE, WHERE ARE YOU?  
4 WE'RE HAVING THESE ISSUES HERE. THIS IS A PUBLIC HARBOR FOR  
5 EVERYONE IN THE COUNTY AND YET WE STILL ARE NOT BEING HEARD.  
6 NOW, YES, WE HAVE A NEW ACTING DIRECTOR. HOPEFULLY SANTOS WILL  
7 MAYBE TURN THINGS AROUND. WE HAVE SO MANY PEOPLE, THE HEADS,  
8 WE'RE SEEING THEM GO BY THE WAYSIDE. WE NOW HAVE RON HOFFMAN  
9 THAT'S LEAVING. WE HAVE STAN WISNIEWSKI WHO JUST LEFT. WE NOW  
10 HAVE ANDY CULBERTSON, WILLIAM BURKE JUST KIND OF ROASTED RIGHT  
11 IN FRONT OF THE COASTAL COMMISSION, SAYING, "WAIT A MINUTE.  
12 YOU DON'T REPRESENT US IN L.A. COUNTY." SO THERE'S A  
13 CONSISTENT PROBLEM.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WILLIAM BURKE HAS NO RIGHT TO TALK ABOUT  
16 WHO REPRESENTS ANYBODY IN L.A. COUNTY.

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18 **JON NAHHAS:** WELL HE DOES WHEN IT COMES TO ANDY CULBERTSON  
19 TELLING THE COASTAL COMMISSION-- THAT THE COUNTY DOESN'T NEED  
20 TO FOLLOW THE COASTAL COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS. THAT IS A  
21 BIG PROBLEM. WHEN ONE OF YOUR CONSULTANTS TELLS THE L.A.  
22 COUNTY STAFF THAT THEY DON'T NEED TO LISTEN TO THE COASTAL  
23 COMMISSION, THERE'S A BIG ISSUE THERE. TOMORROW, THE SMALL  
24 CRAFT HARBOR COMMISSION WILL HEAR A NEW-- TESTIMONY ON WHAT TO  
25 DO WITH PARCEL 47. WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY, SUPERVISORS, TO



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1 ACTUALLY PROVIDE A CONTROL, A CONTROL BY ALL OF THESE SLIPS ON  
2 HOW MUCH YOU SHOULD CHARGE AND DO A COST RECOVERY MODEL. ALL  
3 WE'RE ASKING IS, THIS WHOLE THING WITH FAIR MARKET RATE, NO  
4 ONE SEEMS TO BE ABLE TO GRASP AND GET A HOLD OF. WHAT DOES  
5 FAIR MARKET VALUE MEAN WHEN IT COMES TO RECREATION? WE'VE  
6 ASKED THE RECREATIONAL RESEARCH CENTER IN MICHIGAN STATE  
7 UNIVERSITY. DR. MAHONEY SAYS HE HAS NO IDEA WHAT THAT TERM  
8 MEANS. ALL WE'RE ASKING IS LET US RUN A CONTROL. LIKE LONG  
9 BEACH, LIKE SANTA BARBARA, LIKE SO MANY OF THESE OTHERS THAT  
10 HAVE HALF THE SLIP RATES THAT IF WE CAN PROVIDE THIS PUBLIC  
11 SERVICE, JUST KEEP IT AT A COST RECOVERY MODEL, WE WILL BE  
12 ABLE TO FIND OUT IF THE LESSEES IN FACT ARE CHARGING WAY MORE  
13 THAN THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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17 **JON NAHHAS:** THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ARNOLD SACHS? HE'S GONE. ALL RIGHT. WAS  
20 THERE ANYONE WHO I MISSED? I THOUGHT I GOT EVERYONE.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I THINK THAT WAS IT. THERE IS NO CLOSED  
23 SESSION TODAY, MADAME CHAIR.

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25 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOTION TO ADJOURN?



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

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